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## Hostile demonstrations

# Thatcher, Indira hold friendly discussions

**NEW DELHI, April 15 (Agencies)** The two most powerful stateswomen, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain and Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi of India, met Wednesday in India's capital, decorated with British Union jacks and banners hailing "Indo-British friendship."

Mrs. Thatcher was greeted at Delhi airport by Mrs. Gandhi and her cabinet, other Indian leaders and the diplomatic corps. Contrasting the warm welcome, opposition party members planned anti-British demonstrations and newspapers editorialized against British racial policy. During her four-day official visit, Mrs. Thatcher appeared in some hurried questioning about Britain's controversial nationality bill.

Mrs. Thatcher held two and a half hours of talks with Mrs. Gandhi on the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, the American decision to re-arm Pakistan and the creation of a

## U.K. vows to resist staff demand

**LONDON, April 15 (Agencies)** — The British government vowed Wednesday not to increase its pay offer to civil servants who have been waging a guerrilla war of work disruption for five weeks.

The civil service minister, Lord Soames, told the House of Lords a seven per cent increase was all the nation could afford. Union leaders want a rise of 15 per cent for government's 530,000 employees, whose average is \$11,000 a year.

"There is no doubt that members in some areas would like to see an all-out strike," a spokesman for the council of civil service unions said. "The pressure for action is growing all the time."

The unions claimed that 60 per cent of members joined in a 24-hour national stoppage Tuesday to protest against military personnel arming a strike-bound nuclear missile submarine. The government put the figure at under 50 per cent.

Union members Wednesday resumed strike action throughout the country, closing an estimated 4,500 bureaucrats at establishments at any one time. Disruptive on air and sea ports may cause serious delays for Easter holiday travelers.

After leaving a trip to India Tuesday, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher told the House of Commons: "The defense of the very small minority of people" But Mrs. Thatcher herself had to travel to a Royal Air Force base in Oxfordshire, Brize Norton, on the country because of disruption at London's Heathrow Airport from where she had been scheduled to depart.

The civil servants' strike has aroused little sympathy in Britain, where nearly 4,000 people mostly throw out of jobs in industry are now unemployed. The 10 per cent jobless rate is the highest since the 1930s depression.

## Pusan buildings 'sway in tremor'

**SEOUL, April 15 (AFP)** — An earthquake shook South Korea's southern port city of Pusan shortly before Wednesday noon for about seven minutes. Several tall buildings visibly swayed while window panes rattled, creating a momentary panic among occupants.

No casualties nor material damage were reported. The Central Meteorological Observatory said the intensity was three to four on the Richter Scale in the Pusan area, while a minor tremor of about intensity one was recorded in the southwestern and central Korean provinces.



STATE VISIT: Britain's Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher with Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi on arrival in New Delhi Wednesday on her 4-day visit to India.

## Bomb hits Hamburg University

**BONN, April 15 (AP)** — A powerful bomb tore through a Hamburg University building Wednesday and three fires were set in Leunenburg in the latest attacks by supporters of jailed hunger-striking terrorists, police reported.

An attorney for one of the 26 hunger strikers, meanwhile, claimed his client, Sigurd Debus, had "clinically" died from his nine-week fast, although authorities were keeping him "legally" alive by artificial means. Police in Frankfurt, Munich and West Berlin were taking extra precautions against further attacks over the Easter weekend, spokesmen in those cities said.

The Hamburg attackers painted slogans of the outlawed Red Army Faction and the motto "solidarity with the starving" on the wall of the university building where the bomb exploded, police said. The homemade bomb concealed in a fire extinguisher caused "considerable" damage to the second floor of the building, which was undergoing renovation, police said. There were no injuries.

Authorities in Leunenburg reported fires set in a flour mill, a snack bar and a carpet store, and said they were also thought to be the work of RAF sympathizers. No injuries were reported.

The 26 members of the RAF and the affiliated "movement of the Second of June" have been refusing food since early February demanding improved prison conditions and treatment as prisoners of war. Ranier Koch, attorney for Debus, told reporters in Frankfurt the strikers were modifying their prisoner-of-war demand, seeking instead to be allowed to meet in groups of seven to eight persons and an end to solitary confinement.

## Tension eases in riot-hit Brixton

**LONDON, April 15 (AP)** — Tension eased in south London's violence-battered Brixton district Tuesday after radical black leaders met with police chief to hammer out a truce after four nights of clashes between police and young people, mainly unemployed blacks.

Rudy Narayan, chairman of the newly-formed "Brixton defense committee," told reporters after meeting with Deputy Assistant Police Commissioner Leslie Walker: "He's a great human being...I asked for his cooperation...and there has been a de-escalation."

But new trouble loomed as the anti-black British Movement, a neo-fascist organization blamed by community leaders for a recent surge of attacks on non-whites, said it planned three marches in south London May 4 to protest the riots. Official sources said the government would probably ban the marches under Britain's 1936 public order act to head off more street violence, but the home office declined comment.

The government has banned a half-dozen planned marches by the National Front, another ultra-rightist movement opposed to non-white immigration, in recent weeks to prevent clashes with non-whites and their white leftist allies.

Official sources reported that police have pulled out "a large number" of the 1,000 officers moved into Brixton Saturday to combat rioting by hundreds of young blacks and some whites. Scotland Yard declined comment on whether the police presence had been reduced, but a spokesman noted that sporadic clashes Monday night were "much less intense" than previous nights.

The total arrests since the trouble began Friday amounts to 207. More than 200 police officers have been injured in the rioting that has brought Britain's simmering racial problem into sharp focus.

## Parents suspected in Atlanta slayings

**GEORGIA, April 15 (AFP)** — Some of the victims in Atlanta's "massacre of the innocents" may have been killed by their own parents, according to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Over a 21-month period, 23 young blacks mainly children and all from poverty-line families have been murdered in this booming deep south city. The most recent killing was reported last week.

The common assumption had been that all of them were killed by the same person. But Tuesday night, FBI agent Mike Twibell said that some of the 23 were not struck down by an unknown assassin, but by their parents.

The allegation supported statements by FBI Director William Webster that three or four of the murders had been "substantially solved." Local officials here denied the claim.

Twibell said that Webster "had the full facts behind him" when he made his comment Monday. "Some of those kids were killed by their parents," the agent said.

The wave of killings over the last 21 months has spread hysteria throughout Atlanta's black community. About 30 FBI agents are working with Atlanta police on the case and the federal government has granted some \$2.5 million to help finance the investigation. Meanwhile, the U.S. health department announced Wednesday that it would contribute \$305,500 to provide psychiatric help for children and families affected by the crimes.

## France 'least friendly', tourists told

**NEW YORK, April 15 (AP)** — England is the "most friendly" and France is the "least friendly" country in the world to American tourists, North American travel writers claimed.

Mexico leads the list of five "best vacation spots" for the average American traveler, according to a poll released here Tuesday by the Society of American Travel Writers (SATW). The Middle East is the region most recommended for Americans to avoid, the poll also showed.

SATW president Myra Waldio told a news conference this was the first time the travel writers' organization, which she said was the largest in this country, conducted such a poll. "We are reporters telling what must be told — the good and the bad — so the public and the (travel) industry have confidence in what we report," said Waldio.

She reported 114 member writers and editors from the United States and Canada submitted their choices of the top five countries in each category: most friendly to American travelers, least friendly, best foreign destination, best U.S. destination, and the region which Americans should be cautioned against visiting. The poll was concluded Feb. 25.

Beyond their recommendations for American tourists, the travel writers gave top marks to Portugal, New Zealand, Alaska and Hawaii as places they most enjoyed visiting. The poll results, with the percentage of votes in brackets: The countries where Americans "are most likely to get a friendly reception": England (57 per cent), Canada (52), Australia (34), Japan (28) and Mexico (26).

The countries "least friendly" to Americans: France (38), the Soviet Union (28), Iran (23), East Germany (15) and Jamaica (12). The "most favored" destinations outside the United States: Mexico (40), Canada (32), Caribbean (26), England (20) and Portugal (18).

"Best vacation" cities in the United States: San Francisco (33), New York (32.5), Washington, D.C. (31.6), New Orleans (16.7) and San Diego, California (14).

## 'Blood' hurled at White House portico

**WASHINGTON, April 15 (AFP)** — Six persons were arrested here Wednesday after hurling a red liquid which they said was human blood against the White House portico in a protest against the United States defense budget.

The six entered the building with hundred of tourists who tour the ground floor of the presidential residence each day. President Ronald Reagan is currently recovering in a first floor room from the chest wound.

The six made their protest as they were leaving the building, splashing the liquid against the portico and unveiling a banner reading "Why pay for mass suicide." White House guards immediately arrested them.

## Delhi talks 'fruitful'

# Saud gives King's message to Zia

By Shahid Orakzai  
Arab News Correspondent

**ISLAMABAD, April 15** — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal flew into Pakistani capital from New Delhi Wednesday afternoon on an unscheduled stop during his Asian tour and told newsmen he was carrying a special message from King Khaled to President Muhammad Zia ul-Haq.

Prince Saud delivered the King's message to the president at a dinner meeting Wednesday after a session of informal consultations with Foreign Minister Agha Shahi.

Speaking at the airport, Prince Saud said that total withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan and self-determination of the Afghan brothers were the prerequisites of any settlement of the crisis.

Asked if there had been any evolution in the Indian stand on Afghanistan following his talks with Indian leaders at New Delhi, he said, he had held thorough discussions on the Afghan question and "although there are differences in stress," the objectives were more or less the same. He also recalled the resolution adopted by the last foreign ministers conference of the nonaligned group at Delhi which called for withdrawal of foreign troops from Afghanistan.

He said that perhaps the only difference in approach between that of the Kingdom and India related to identification of these foreign troops "which we prefer to call Soviet troops" because it is they who pose the real danger to Afghanistan.

About his India visit, Prince Saud said he had had "fruitful and positive talks" with Indian leadership in a "friendly fashion." He said the talks encompassed many areas in international field as well as bilateral affairs. The visit, being his first to India, he said had proved significant both from personal and professional points of view.

The foreign minister said his trip to Islamabad was in accordance with the practice of continued discussions and consultations between the two countries. At the airport, he was greeted by Foreign Minister Agha Shahi, Kingdom's Ambassador Samir Al-Shihabi, envoys of some Islamic countries and staff of the Saudi Arabian embassy, besides high ranking Pakistani officials.

Diplomatic circles here believed that Prince Saud's sudden visit to Pakistan was a follow up of his successful efforts in New Delhi with regard to diluting the rigid pro-Moscow stand of the Indian government on the Afghan issue. The air between Pakistan and India has been polluted by allegations and counter-allegations by the two neighbors about acquisition of arms in recent months with initiative always resting with the Indian side.

## U.S. favors talks with Iraq on ties

**WASHINGTON, April 15 (Agencies)** — The United States has said it is ready to discuss resuming diplomatic relations with Iraq, but did not expect such a development soon.

"We are ready" to discuss the re-establishment of diplomatic relations with Iraq whenever the government of Iraq wishes to do so," State Department spokesman Dean Fischer said Tuesday. He added, however, that despite an unusual visit to Baghdad by a high U.S. official this week, there was no sign that discussions would take place in the near future.

The official, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Morris Draper, said in Baghdad Monday he was pleased with his talks with Iraqi leaders but did not expect ties broken by Iraq during the 1967 Arab-Israeli war would be renewed soon. Draper was the first high-ranking U.S. official to visit Iraq since Philip Habib, undersecretary for political affairs, was there in May 1977.

## Khaled honors UAE president

**RIYADH, April 15 (SPA)** — King Khaled Wednesday gave a dinner party in honor of the President of the United Arab Emirates Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan. The president arrived here earlier in the day on a private visit.

The party was attended by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard Prince Sultan, the minister of defense and civil aviation, and a number of princes, ministers and senior officials.

## Israel claims new peace bid doomed

**TEL AVIV, April 15 (R)** — Israel said Wednesday the Dutch Foreign Minister Christopher Van Der Kjaauw's current Middle East mission to sound out prospects for a European peace initiative was doomed to failure since it did not take into account Israel's vital interests.

"Israel appreciates the role of an honest broker but a mission based on the European initiative is doomed since it does not take into consideration Israel's interests," a foreign ministry spokesman told reporters.

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# Dammam

By Nige

JEDDAH, April 15 — The government Railroad Co. Wednesday signed a \$114.3 million contract with an international consortium to build a 150-kilometer modern single-track line from Dammam to Hofuf.

Vice President Abdul Aziz bin Abdul Rahman said the contract, also for a factory in Hofuf, will be completed in 1983. The stressed concrete section is the first of a 150-kilometer line designed by Technicon.

Contracting source award went to the Archirodon of Greece.

## Envoy talks

ISLAMABAD, April 15 — Saudi Arabia's ambassador in Islamabad, met Pakistan Foreign Minister Shaukat for about an hour to discuss matters of bilateral relations.

By Muhammad

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# Hofuf railroad contract let

... desired to name foreign companies. He said earlier tenders for the second two sections had been withdrawn but that the same contractors would be invited to tender for the next few days.

The second two sections, both of about 150 kilometers will cost more than the first, because of rougher terrain. They are single-track but will combine with the existing longer Riyadh-Hofuf railroad to form a double track.

The railroads which will be completed in two and a half years will be used for passengers and freight, Bashawi said. The IRO is studying tenders from European, American, Korean and Japanese firms to supply new trains with twenty passenger coaches, he said.

Saudi's SR230 million railroad depot was earlier this month as one of the major projects in the Kingdom that will be directly the transportation and movement from King Abdul Aziz port Dammam to the capital. Al Shuhail said the area of the customs station reached 100 square meters.

It has loading and unloading stations, storehouses, customs offices, cold stores, parking lots, police offices, a clinic, maintenance workshops and a mosque. It has the latest equipment for efficient handling of goods, which will be done automatically. An 85-apartment housing area was built for the workers and the area has a direct telephone and wireless circuit.

# Islamic fund to meet here

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, April 15 — The Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund will meet here April 27 to study ways of carrying out the recommendations of the recent Islamic summit conference and other issues including financial support to member states.

The council, to be chaired by Dr. Ezzudin Ibrahim of the United Arab Emirates, will be attended by representatives from the Kingdom, the UAE, Kuwait, Iraq, Libya, Mauritania, Tunis, Turkey, Sudan, Malaysia, Pakistan, Djibouti, the Comoro Islands and the Secretary General Habib Chatti.

It will decide on bolstering the fund and setting up an Islamic emergency commission in addition to supporting some Islamic universities in Uganda, Niger and Mali.

The fund is an autonomous body working in close cooperation with the general secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Conference.



FAREWELL: The Foreign Ministry gave a reception Tuesday night in honor of the outgoing Argentine Ambassador Juan Manuel Figuerero, who is leaving Jeddah Thursday for his country to take up the post of foreign ministry undersecretary for economic affairs. First Secretary Mario Tomas Bejarano will be the charge d'affaire, until the new ambassador takes over. Seen above are, from left: French Ambassador Michel Drumetz; Hossain Marzouqi, of the Foreign Ministry protocol department; Abdul Aziz Al-Thamayan, deputy foreign minister; and Ambassador Figuerero.

# Track and field course to be held

RIYADH, April 15 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Track and Field Federation will hold a training course for Saudi Arabian coaches from April 18-20, the federation decided Monday evening at a meeting under Maj. Muhammad Amin Rossi, its vice chairman.

The Kingdom's track and field championship for government bodies will take place April 25-26. Athletes will have to be citizens and compete only for one body. They will be represented by one team only with players in each competition and one team each relay. The player can take part in competitions and only one relay.

The federation agreed, in principle on participation in the international championship which will be held in Pakistan next October. It also agreed to attend the fourth meeting of the Asian Federation scheduled to be held in Tokyo next July, and the international training course in Tokyo, June 2-8. It will send Saudi Arabian coaches.

Moreover, the federation approved, in principle, participation in the Asian Championship in Tokyo, June 5-7, by sending 30 athletes and five trainers. It will also take part in the international track and field encounter in Lausanne, Switzerland, July 10, and, in principle, in the encounter scheduled in Seoul, August 13-16, by sending a team of athletes aged 15-19 years.

# IDB grants S. Yemen \$17m loan

JEDDAH, April 15 (SPA) — The Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank signed a \$17 million loan agreement to finance crude oil imports for the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen. The oil will be imported from the United Arab Emirates. The agreement was signed by Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali, IDB president, and by Muhammad Abdul Mohsen Ali of the National Yemen Oil Company and Osman Ali Muhammad Habash of the Yemen National Bank, on behalf of their country. The IDB had financed three foreign trade

operations for South Yemen. The three loans totaled to 24 million Islamic Dinars. The bank also contributed, with three loans, of ID10 million, to the construction of the a marine sciences institute, as power project for Wadi Hadramout and expansion of the water network for Aden.

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On Camp David accords

# Yamani urges U.S. review

KUWAIT, April 15 (Agencies) — Saudi Arabia's Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani said the Kingdom was optimistic the U.S. administration will soon "reconsider the Camp David accords and help bring about a just peace in the Middle East," a Kuwait daily reported Wednesday.

"Judging by U.S. intentions expressed (during Haig's visit) we are optimistic the Americans will pursue an evenhanded policy and reconsider the Camp David accords

which have been rendered obsolete because they have been abandoned by key parties to them," the daily *Al-Qabas* quoted him as saying.

"If U.S. intentions come true and Washington is willing to participate in bringing about peace, it is possible we will find ourselves heading to a fair and just peace that satisfies the Palestinian people in the first place," he added.

Yamani said "the Soviet Union as a super-power also has a responsibility to bear in

achieving Middle East peace." But he added that role has been hampered by Moscow's military intervention in Afghanistan "which is unjustified and constitutes a stigma for the Kremlin."

Saudi Arabia broke diplomatic relations with Afghanistan last week in protest against the Soviet-backed regime in Kabul.

Yamani said that Saudi Arabia had made clear to Haig during his recent tour of the Middle East that "the crux of the Arab-Israeli conflict" is the Palestine question and that barring a solution to this issue and a positive effort towards this end, we will be unable to achieve a just peace."

"We also told Haig that the return of Palestinian to their homeland, recognizing their right to self determination and setting-up of an independent Palestinian state, return of Jerusalem and other occupied Arab territories and putting an end to Israel's expansion, are prerequisites for such a peace," Yamani said. He added the United States "has to play a substantial role to this effect."

He expressed optimism the seven-month war between Iran and Iraq would end soon.

## Thatcher visit to promote ties

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, April 15 — The European initiative on the Middle East and promotion of bilateral relations will be among the subjects which British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher will discuss on her visit to Riyadh April 19, British Ambassador James Craig said Wednesday.

Thatcher will meet King Khalid, Crown Prince Fahd, Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah and Defense Minister Prince Sultan.

The Ambassador said at a press briefing that the prime minister's tour, which takes her to Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Oman and Qatar, was intended to foster closer relations with the United Kingdom, apart from exploring ways toward a durable peace in the Middle East.

## KAIA to receive public

JEDDAH, April 15 (SPA) — A special program to welcome citizens to see the new King Abdul Aziz international airport will begin Sunday, Brig. Said Youssuf Amin, director of the Department of International Airports Projects, said here Wednesday.

The four-week program will operate daily between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., except Friday. Brig. Amin added that the program was drawn up on the orders of Prince Sultan, minister of defense and aviation, to acquaint the citizens with the new airport.

# Kingdom-Bahrain bridge talks resume

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, April 15 — The ministerial committee in charge of the proposed Gulf causeway between Saudi Arabia and Bahrain resumed talks Wednesday to study the World Bank evaluations of the tenders made so far for its construction.

The committee is led by Finance and National Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al Khatib and Bahrain's Minister of Development and Industry Yusuf Shirawi.

The committee has prepared its report and recommendations and will submit them to the authorities for a decision. The proposed bridge, 24 kilometers long, should be able to take 2,740 cars per hour. Construction materials include either concrete or steel or a combination of both. But this has not yet been decided.

There were reports earlier this year that the contracts would be awarded in the next few weeks after studying tenders from 16 international groups. The bids vary by millions against the officially estimated cost of \$800 million. Shirawi noted that the lowest bid will not necessarily win the contract, which is considered to be the most ambitious in the Gulf for some years. The bridge will not be a mere link between Bahrain and the Arabian Peninsula mainland. It will also forge economic, political and social bonds between the Kingdom and the rest of the Gulf states.

Although the whole cost will be paid by

Saudi Arabia, one of the conditions of the winning bid is that local companies, materials and labor be involved as much as possible in the construction. And it is this local input that has made the project the most important topic of conversation in Bahrain since the idea was first mentioned ten years ago.

By taking into consideration local conditions, the causeway will become the biggest single source of new business to Gulf insur-

ance companies in years. It carries with it the promise of using local subcontractors and prefabrication facilities. In addition to the four-lane causeway itself, there will be five suspension-type bridges, two major approach roads — one from Manama to Jasra in Bahrain and one from Dhahran and Al Khobar in the Eastern Region. Two border posts and several labor camps will be built for expected 2,500 to 3,000 workers.

## Prayer Times

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Dhuhr (Noon)	12.21	12.21	11.53	11.40	12.04	12.34
Asr (Evening)	3.45	3.50	3.22	3.11	3.35	4.07
Maghreb (Sunset)	6.41	6.45	6.16	6.05	6.29	7.01
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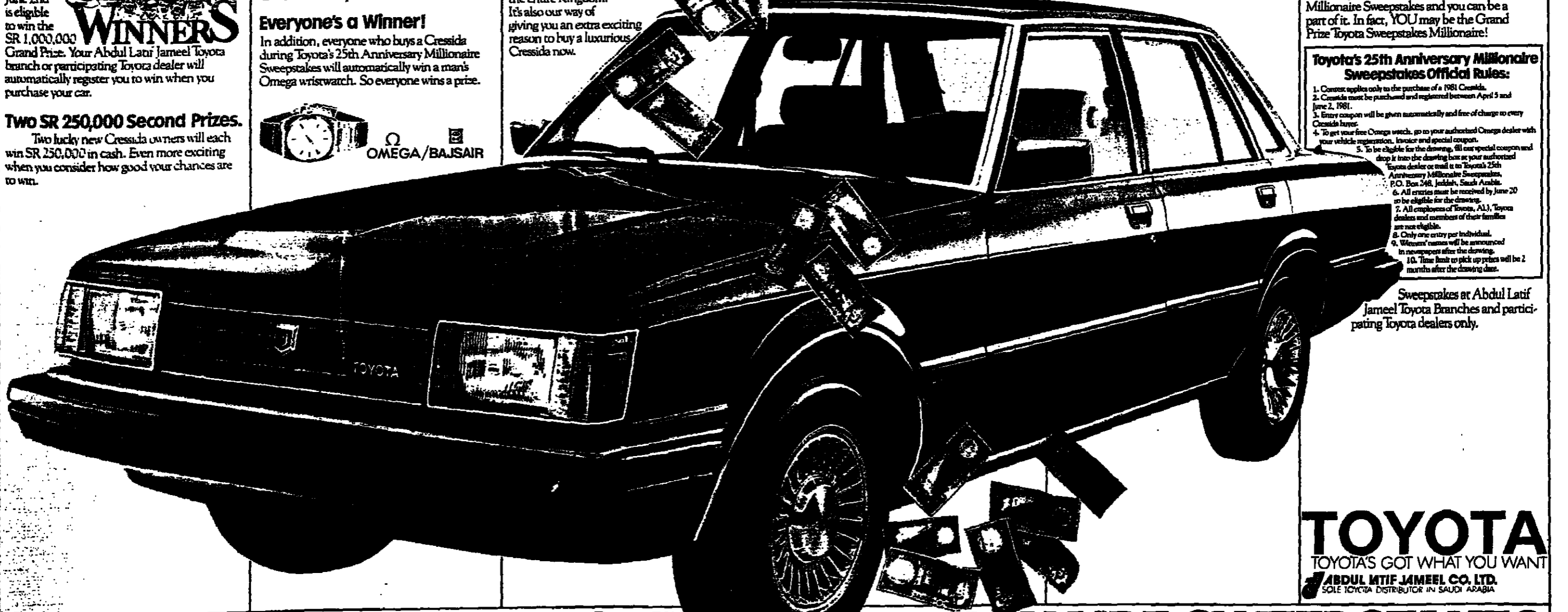
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Israel's canal plan is act of aggression

UNITED NATIONS, April 15 (AP) — Jordan, in a letter issued here, said an Israeli plan to build a 108-km canal from the Mediterranean Sea to the Dead Sea was a multi-purpose act of aggression, "dangerous especially to Jordanians and Palestinians."

reserved the right to "bring the matter up for consideration in the Security Council." By Nuseibeh's request, it was circulated as a Security Council and General Assembly document.

Nuseibeh wrote that the estimated \$800-million canal project, authorized by Israel March 29, would raise the levels of the Dead Sea and the Jordan river so as to inundate irrigated farmland, ancient monasteries and industrial chemical project. He remarked that the project "starts in the Gaza Strip and traverses the breadth of the occupied West Bank and would take from eight to 10 years to implement ... evidence that Israel has no intention of withdrawing from the occupied Palestinian and Arab lands" as demanded by U.N. resolutions.

Meanwhile, Japan, a member of the Security Council, put on record here its "deep concern over the armed conflict that occurred recently in the cities of Beirut and Zahle in Lebanon, which involved Syrian troops and Lebanese Christian militiamen. The Japanese Foreign Ministry's April 8 statement of such concern, also reaffirmed Japan's stand in favor of Lebanon's independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity.

Israelis kidnap two Lebanese

BEIRUT, April 15 (AP) — Israeli boats surrounded a Lebanese fishing boat Wednesday and kidnapped two Lebanese fishermen off the coast of Tyre, 80 kms south of Beirut, provincial authorities reported.

The report from Tyre said Wehbe Taha and his son Khalil were kidnapped at 10:00 a.m. local time (0800 GMT), and were taken to "occupied territories." Sources in Tyre said Israeli reconnaissance planes overflew the area. No more details were available about the kidnapping.

Commando rockets hit Israel

DAMASCUS, April 15 (R) — Palestinian commandos have claimed responsibility for a rocket attack on two Israeli settlements Monday night and said several fires were seen in the attacked villages.

Yaakov and Gester settlements, scoring direct hits. The spokesman said the commandos returned safely to their base, but did not say from where the attack was mounted.

In Tel Aviv, an Israeli army spokesman said several rockets were fired at Israeli villages in the Jordan River Valley early Tuesday but caused no casualties or damage. The commando spokesman said bombs planted by them at a bus stop on the main road to Jerusalem exploded Tuesday causing several casualties and wrecking a large section of the station. The commandos returned safely to their bases inside Israel, he said.

Turkey bars Ecevit from going abroad

ANKARA, April 15 (AP) — Former Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit has been refused permission by the Turkish authorities to travel outside the country to attend a meeting of the Socialist International, his office reported Tuesday. Ecevit, until recently leader of the Social Democratic Republican People's Party, had been invited to attend the meeting April 29 of Socialist International in Amsterdam by the organization's secretary general Bertt Carlson.

The Turkish authorities also rejected Ecevit's request to leave the country to spend a term as lecturer at Hamburg University.

6-year battle to get her kids

MANCHESTER, April 15 (AP) — A British-born Pakistani woman, tears streaming down her face, has been reunited with her three children after a six-year battle with British immigration authorities to allow them into this country.

In unforgiving mood, Anwar Ditta, 27, hugged the children at Manchester airport Tuesday and declared she planned to sue the Home Office, which controls immigration, for the long parting. "Here is a message for you," said Mrs. Ditta, addressing her remarks via television camera to Home Office Minister Timothy Raison. "Look what you've done to my children."

Family supporters gathered at the airport chanted: "Here to stay, here to fight, black people must unite." British authorities refused for years to allow the children, brothers Kamran, 11, and Imran, 9, and their eight-year-old sister, Saima, into Britain because they were skeptical the children really were Mrs. Ditta's.

Raison changed his mind last month after a British television station, Granada, took up the case and sent experts to Lahore, where the children lived their grandmother, to conduct blood tests.

Mrs. Ditta has not seen the children, who speak no English, since they were toddlers. "This is the happiest day of my life", she said, as she introduced the children to their British-born sister, Samera 5.

The family's troubles, which started when Mrs. Ditta returned to Britain with her Pakistani husband in 1975 leaving the children behind, were not over, however. Her husband, Shuja, said he had been fired from his job with a heating firm in Rochdale, 10 miles from this northern city, because of taking time off to fetch the children.

Backs Soviet proposal

Arafat doubts Europe's plan

DAMASCUS, April 15 (R) — Palestinian commando chief Yasser Arafat has cast doubt on prospects for a European Middle East peace initiative and praised a Soviet proposal for an all-party conference on the issue.

Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) was addressing a session Tuesday night of the Palestine National Council (PNC), the Palestinian parliament-in-exile. In a three-hour speech winding up the PNC's general political debate, Arafat told some 300 PNC delegates: "These European states are sending us envoys from time to time to pose certain questions to us but do not offer any initiatives."

He was speaking three days before Dutch Foreign Minister Christopher Van Der Klaauw, current president of the European Common Market (EEC) council of ministers, was due to arrive in Damascus.

Last June, the EEC summit in Venice called for PLO participation in the peace process.

Van Der Klaauw is expected to sound out Arafat's views and he will also hold discussions with other Middle East leaders. Arafat said he always told such envoys "that we have an initiative from the friendly Soviet side relating to the Middle East."

Earlier this year, Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev resurrected a long-standing Kremlin proposal for a conference including the PLO and chaired jointly by the United States and Soviet Union. Arafat added: "We consider Brezhnev's initiative as a good basis for an honorable and just settlement for the Middle East issue." The PLO leader spoke harshly of a French proposal, now apparently shelved, for an international force to keep the peace in Lebanon, suggesting that French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing was using the plan as an electoral ploy.

Arafat added: "It is the peoples of this area that decide its fate and cannot accept that a French, French-American or even an international cover be imposed on them."

BRIEFS

BEIRUT, (AP) — A leader of the "National Confrontation Front" (CNF) a pro-Syrian Lebanese group admitted here Tuesday his organization kidnapped Jordan's charge d'affaires in Lebanon, Hisham Muthissen, who was released earlier in the day after 71 days in captivity.

ISLAMABAD, (AP) — The Pakistani government has stepped up its campaign against dissidents, sentencing seven persons to be imprisoned and flogged for political offenses.

BONN, (R) — West Germany is giving \$140,000 to the International Red Cross for its relief program in Lebanon in addition to aid channeled through the European

Economic Community, the foreign ministry said Wednesday.

CAIRO, (AFP) — Swedish Foreign Minister Ola Ullsten had talks here Wednesday with Anwar Sadat. Ullsten said Sweden's laws would not permit participation in a peacekeeping force outside a United Nations framework.

RABAT, (R) — Morocco's King Hassan has met President Siaka Stevens of Sierra Leone, current chairman of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), the Moroccan News Agency Map reported. They were later joined by Edem Kodjo, OAU secretary-general, and members of the Moroccan government.

Lebanon not requesting U.N. action, says Tueni

UNITED NATIONS, April 15 (Agencies) — Prospects for U.N. Security Council involvement in the Lebanese crisis have receded after Lebanon's representative said his government was not calling for any U.N. action and was still relying on local and regional efforts to restore peace.

"We are not requesting anything," Ambassador Ghassan Tueni of Lebanon told reporters Tuesday after emerging from a one-hour meeting with Council President Noel Dorr of Ireland. Tueni, who returned to the U.N. Tuesday after consultations in Beirut, added: "We have not yet exhausted our internal, bilateral and regional efforts."

Dorr has been consulting privately on the possibility of action by the council to end the fighting between Syrian troops of the Arab Deterrent Force in Lebanon and right-wing Lebanese Christian militia. Noting there was now a fragile ceasefire, Tueni expressed gratitude for the council's deep concern about events in Lebanon but said a debate, at least at this stage, might be counter-

productive. Asked about a recent proposal — initiated by France but later shelved — for dispatching a new U.N. peacekeeping force to Lebanon, he said: "I think it's very premature. So far, nothing like that is up for discussion from any quarter."

Tueni said part of his discussion with the council president concerned the situation in southern Lebanon, where the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) has been stationed since Israeli troops invaded the area in 1978.

In Washington, a State Department spokesman said Tuesday a United States peacekeeping force in Lebanon is "an option" that must be considered, but only if the Lebanese themselves prove unable to deal with their problems. Dean Fischer, the department's new spokesman, said the United States is not necessarily advocating such a course.

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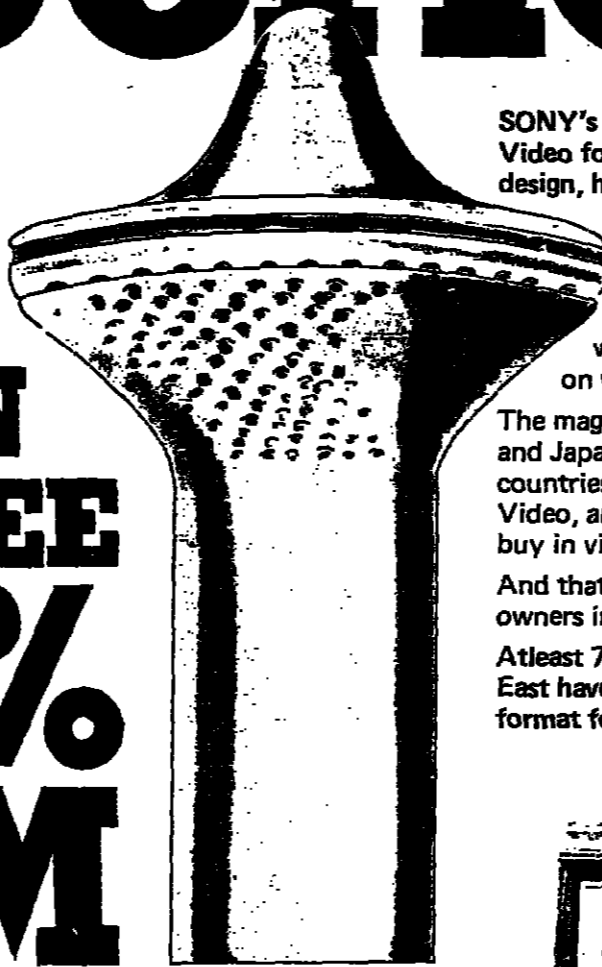
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## CONCERN OVER LEBANON

Toward the end of last week, the U.S. Congressional Foreign Affairs Committee, composed of nine Republicans and eight Democrats, unanimously asked President Reagan to look in to a way of ending the task of the Syrian forces in Lebanon. Almost at the same time in far away Strasbourg, a draft resolution was put before the European Parliament requiring the same thing.

Both events were preceded by a meeting during the middle of last week between American Secretary of State Haig and French Foreign Minister Pinet, in which the two raised the possibility of a U.N. peace-keeping force in Lebanon, to be composed mainly of U.S. and French troops.

But by the beginning of this week, all this appeared to come to nothing as the French president announced postponement of the issue, and asked U.N. Secretary General Waldheim to intensify his diplomatic efforts for peace in Lebanon.

Meanwhile, Syria has already strongly rejected this "internationalization" of the Lebanese crisis, as did the PLO. Both appear to have the backing of Kuwait, which is the only other Arab country to declare its stand. In Lebanon itself, Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan said all the new ideas on the crisis are under study.

Whatever the outcome, one thing is certain. The latest round of fighting showed how easily the Lebanese crisis can ignite a major confrontation in the area, and it appears that the international community is at last resolved to face it.



## British journalists support PLO

By Robert Little

An unprecedented example of the large-scale shift in support of the Palestine Liberation Organization in Britain took place last week at the National Union of Journalists' annual delegate conference held on the campus of the University of East Anglia at Norwich, Norfolk. British journalists by nature have always been an insular, chauvinistic, conservative bunch. Yet by a six to one majority vote the 400 delegates taking part, representing the union's 36,000 members at home and abroad in newspapers, magazines, books, television and radio, gave their overwhelming support to a resolution condemning the Israeli occupation authorities' activities in Palestine.

In proposing the motion which was on the agenda in the name of the Union's London Freelance branch, the mover Phil Kelly launched a blistering attack on the Israeli military authorities' harsh restriction orders and censorship imposed on the Arabic language press in the occupied territories of East Jerusalem, Gaza and the West Bank.

There were isolated shouts of protest from one or two of the small number of Jewish delegates and Zionist supporters present in the hall as Kelly called on the conference to give its unqualified support for justice for the Palestinian people. The text of the motion called for specific action by the union's leaders in the following terms:

"This Annual Delegate Conference views with concern the activities of the Israeli occupation authorities in Palestine in suppressing and harassing the Arabic and English language press, and in censoring and banning journals, books and other media. ADC deprecates the recent arrest of three Palestinian editors by the occupation authorities. It urges the National Executive Council to protest to the Israeli government over these actions, and further to contact the General Union of Palestinian Writers and the editors of the journals concerned with a view to making these matters known to the NUJ's membership as a whole."

In addressing himself to the text of the motion Kelly drew particular attention to the plight of the editors of the three Arabic newspapers, *Al Quds*, *Al Fajr* and *Ash Shaab*, who had remained under stringent restriction orders that were first imposed last summer. The editor of *Ash Shaab*, Akram Haniyeh, it was explained, had complained to the Israeli supreme court without success that his paper is not allowed to even carry news which has appeared in the Hebrew language and English Israeli press, or from international news agencies.

Even when schoolchildren have gone out onto the streets to protest against the actions of the occu-

pation troops, Kelly told the delegates, these papers have been banned from reporting it.

As an example of the ridiculous extremes to which the Israeli authorities were prepared to go with their restrictions the conference heard of how the military had refused to allow *Al Fajr* to use the words "A Palestinian Weekly" on the masthead of its English language weekly editions and the banning of books of Palestinian poetry and history. This, he declared, was not just ad hoc censorship, but the deliberate denial of Palestinian nationhood.

From the hushed silence that descended over the conference it was clear that many of the delegates were hearing for the first time something of the repressive conditions under which Palestinians in the occupied territories had been living since 1967.

At a small lunch-time meeting of delegates which I was invited to address the day before the motion of London Freelance branch was to be debated, one Zionist supporter angrily accused me of being a liar while I was explaining the scale of resistance to the Israeli occupation. When I told the meeting how Israel has always placed great stress on convincing the world that "her" Arabs were happy and content under Zionist rule of restricting access to these areas to representatives of pro-Israeli Western newspapers, my remarks were greeted by the same delegate with "How much is Arafat and the PLO paying you for today?"

But their was no reply from my lone critic when I told the audience that as recently as February this

## 'We want meat not missiles'

By David Willey

SYRACUSE, Sicily — Italian Communists are trying to rouse popular opposition to the installation of the generation of NATO nuclear missiles in Sicily. Speaking in the fruit-growing town of Vittoria, not far from the point where Allied armies landed in Sicily from North Africa during World War II, the Italian Communist leader, Enrico Berlinguer, said missiles "with terrible destructive power" were about to be installed near the neighboring town of Comiso.

They would have a disastrous effect on the Italian economy and on a large number of people. Their installation would be contrary to the policy of arms reduction advocated by Italian Communists, he said, and "we express a negative judgment." Berlinguer, who has recently been in bad odor with Moscow because of his criticism of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, praised Brezhnev's latest disarmament proposals. He did not mention the increasing

year the Israeli anti-Zionist lawyer Felicia Langer, who has defended many Palestinians falsely accused of offenses by the occupation authorities, had submitted a case to the Israeli High Court in an attempt to obtain a ruling to allow the three editors to leave their home town of Ramallah on the West Bank to visit their editorial offices.

This decision of the British Journalists' Union to throw its support behind the PLO's cause is of considerable significance. The British NUJ with its 36,000 members is the largest all-journalists organization in the world and is the most influential body within the Brussels-based International Federation of Journalists — the free-world organization of journalists' unions. (The American Newspaper Guild includes in its membership telegraphists, printers and other media operatives.)

What is more the British union is not especially noted for holding left-wing views which would likely have a substantial impact on journalists' organizations in such countries as Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and even perhaps the United States at the next IFJ international conference.

Moves are being made to approach the IFJ Bureau in Brussels to invite the three Palestinian editors, Haniyeh (*Ash Shaab*), Mamoun Sayed (*Al Fajr*) and the editor of the closed newspaper *Al Quds*, to attend as special guests at the next conference later this year.

## U.S. arms to Pakistan worry India

By Stuart Auerbach

NEW DELHI — India is mounting a major diplomatic campaign to persuade the Reagan administration to abandon plans to make Pakistan a front-line state against Soviet advances in the Gulf by selling it arms. In a series of meetings here with Western ambassadors whose governments are believed to have influence on Washington, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's government has argued that large-scale U.S. weapons sales to Pakistan would destabilize the region, force India into an arms race and drive it close to its major arms supplier, the Soviet Union.

Furthermore, Indian diplomats have insisted that revitalizing the formerly close defense links between Washington and Islamabad would place the United States in the position of supporting a military government.

Besides making those points to some of America's closest allies, Foreign Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao called in U.S. Charge d'Affaires Archer Blood recently to express India's strong objections to a heavy rearming of Pakistan.

There is no indication that the Reagan administration is paying any heed to the Indian concerns. According to diplomatic sources, both New Delhi and Islamabad have been informed that Washington has decided not to allow Indian objections to determine the amount of arms it will sell Pakistan, or the terms of sale. "In our view a secure and confident Pakistan will contribute to the overall security of the subcontinent," acting State Department spokesman William Dyess said.

The aid package is expected to total \$1 billion over two years, or more than twice last year's Carter-administration offer of \$400 million that President Zia ul Haq rejected as "peanuts."

But the Pakistanis once more appear to be backing off from the enlarged U.S. offer. Pakistani Foreign Minister Agha Shahi, in an interview with *The Washington Post* March 21, said Pakistan wants economic aid and the right to buy U.S. arms at cut rates, but no direct military assistance, to protect its position in the nonaligned world and avoid being labeled a tool of the United States. Shahi has been invited to Washington to continue the talks after U.S. Ambassador Arthur Hummel Jr. presented the American position in two meetings with Zia.

One point of contention may be the offer by President Reagan and defense Secretary Casper Weinberger to consider supplying arms to Afghan freedom fighters many of whose organizations have headquarters in Pakistan's border city of Peshawar. Zia has told British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington that Pakistan must be made militarily strong before it can consider furnishing arms to Afghan fighters because of the strong likelihood of a sharp reaction from Moscow.

In New Delhi, meanwhile, the Indian parliament has held three days of debate on the question of U.S. arms to Pakistan, with politicians from all parties accusing the Reagan administration of returning to the cold war policies of John Foster Dulles.

Editorial comment against the United States has also been sharp, and some Indians have copied Washington's refusal to consider India's view on rearming Pakistan with the Reagan administration's proposed \$85 million slash in Carter's original request for economic aid to India. — (WP)

## Letter to the editor

Sir,  
While expressing my pleasure with *Arab News* and the good knowledge of current affairs obtained through it, I am sorry to note that there are no articles on Islam, the unique divine religion, so that Islam is better understood and appreciated for its sublime values.

Yours truly,  
N.K. Bava,  
P.O. Box 462  
Jeddah

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Islam in Perspective," a weekly column appears in Friday's edition. The *Arab News* now publishes seven days a week.

## Saudi Arabian Press Review

Most newspapers Wednesday led with the joint communique issued at the conclusion of the sixth session of the Saudi-Yemeni Coordination Council in Jeddah. Among other things, the communique stressed the need to keep the Arabian peninsula away from foreign influence and international ideological tussles. Some papers used as their lead story a festival of camel races beginning in Riyadh Thursday under the royal patronage.

Newspapers frontpaged King Khaled's return to the capital after opening several projects in Jeddah. They also gave front-page coverage to a treaty of economic and technical cooperation between Saudi Arabia and India. The treaty was signed in New Delhi by the foreign ministers of the two countries.

In a page one story, *Al Yam* reported that the Mauritanian head of state was to visit Saudi Arabia at the invitation of King Khaled. It also reported that British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher would arrive in the Kingdom next Sunday to discuss the Middle East situation, the European initiative and other important matters of common concern.

Newspapers flashed the news of the release of the Jordanian charge d'affaires in Beirut, Hisham Al-Mohaisin, who was kidnapped by unknown gunmen last February. They quoted Syrian official sources as saying the Jordanian diplomat was released in Chitoura, a town in east Lebanon.

Newspaper editorials mainly concentrated on Gulf cooperation and the Lebanese situation. *Al Medina* observed in an editorial that the Saudi-Yemeni joint communique clearly reflected Arab

fraternity and its significance, which made the Yemeni foreign minister remark that the Saudi-Yemeni Coordination Council has become a "strategic reality" between the two countries.

*Al Jazirah* said editorially that cooperation among the Arab states of the Gulf is not only an expression of the people's will to consolidate their age-old relations but also it is an objective formula in harmony with the spirit of the age and the nature of international relations. The paper hoped that the Gulf cooperation would present an ideal example for other Arab states to effect similar cooperation within the context of their geographical proximity and social links.

Commenting on the joint communique, *Al Nadwa* observed that it clearly showed an agreement on the need to boost cooperation and coordination between Saudi Arabia and Yemen. Cooperation is necessary in all fields, in order to safeguard the security and stability of the Gulf region and to keep it aloof from international tussles. The Arab states have already suffered much at the hands of the colonialists, and their coordination would safeguard their independence and development enabling them to confront their common enemy effectively. The communique has reflected the depth of strong bilateral relations, and that the peoples of the two countries look forward with great hopes to the strengthening of these ties, it added.

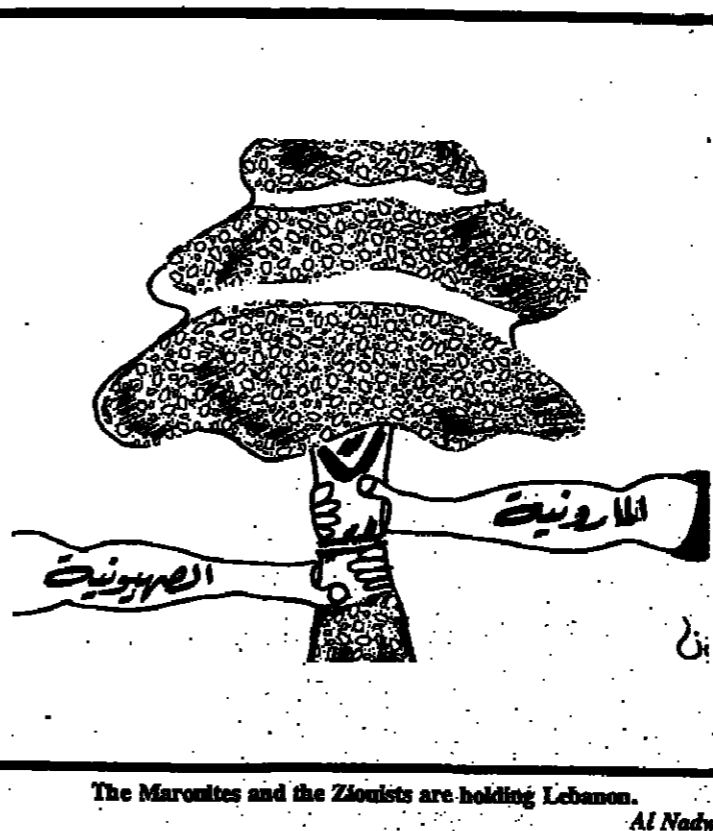
Dealing with the same subject, *Al Bilad* noted that the Saudi-Yemeni Coordination Council rep-

resents a bright aspect of the long history of brotherly relations between the two countries. The council gives a new vision to these relations, enhancing their positive outcome within the framework of an identity of views and a continuous support of the Kingdom for Yemen, the paper said.

It added that Saudi Arabia's material and moral support for Yemen is an Arab and Islamic obligation toward the people of the same faith. The Kingdom plays its role to realize Arab and Islamic objectives and to ensure an effective confrontation of the enemies of the Arab and Islamic world, the paper said.

On the other hand, *Al Riyadh* concerned itself with the Lebanese situation and urged the parties concerned to revive the subject of national conciliation and called for a complete unanimity of opinion on the rejection of the internationalization of the Lebanese issue. The idea of internationalization ought to spur the Arab states to find a fresh solution to the Lebanese crisis before the Western powers hasten to impose some other situation in conflict with Arab interests, the paper said.

*Al Yam* also said that the major powers have begun direct intervention in Lebanese affairs, with a view to making Lebanon an international issue and serving their own aims and objectives in the region. It added that internationalization would mean a pull-out of Arab deterrent forces from Lebanon and the presence of other forces which would support the separatist trend in the country.



The Maronites and the Zionists are holding Lebanon. Al Nadwa

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**The Desert Flower**

**Riyadh U women overcome problems**

By Huda Sharabash

RIYADH — Though many Westerners look upon a Muslim woman as a non-entity, the Riyadh University Center for Girls has provided evidence to the contrary. Their faces may be covered with veils but there exists a variety of thoughts and ideas which are continuously developing without contradicting religious or social ideals. Their campus magazine, *The Desert Flower*, is just one example of the talents of the girls at the university. Though the magazine has not yet reached perfection it has traveled down a long road since its first issue was published. That issue was called *The Arabian Sun*. It was the first publication that paved the way for the girls to express themselves.

The magazine saw a hectic beginning. Most of the girls were first-level students and none had any previous experience in compiling a magazine. Lay-out procedures were another mystery, and they had no experienced typists. Each student was assigned an interview with certain staff member, or a topic to write about. The material was then edited and translated into Arabic by their supervisor. When the first issue did appear, it was in the form of a collection of interviews and articles, typed in both English and Arabic, photocopied and handbound with a solitary staple. It was an 11-page publication, the result of the efforts of five girls and one staff member.

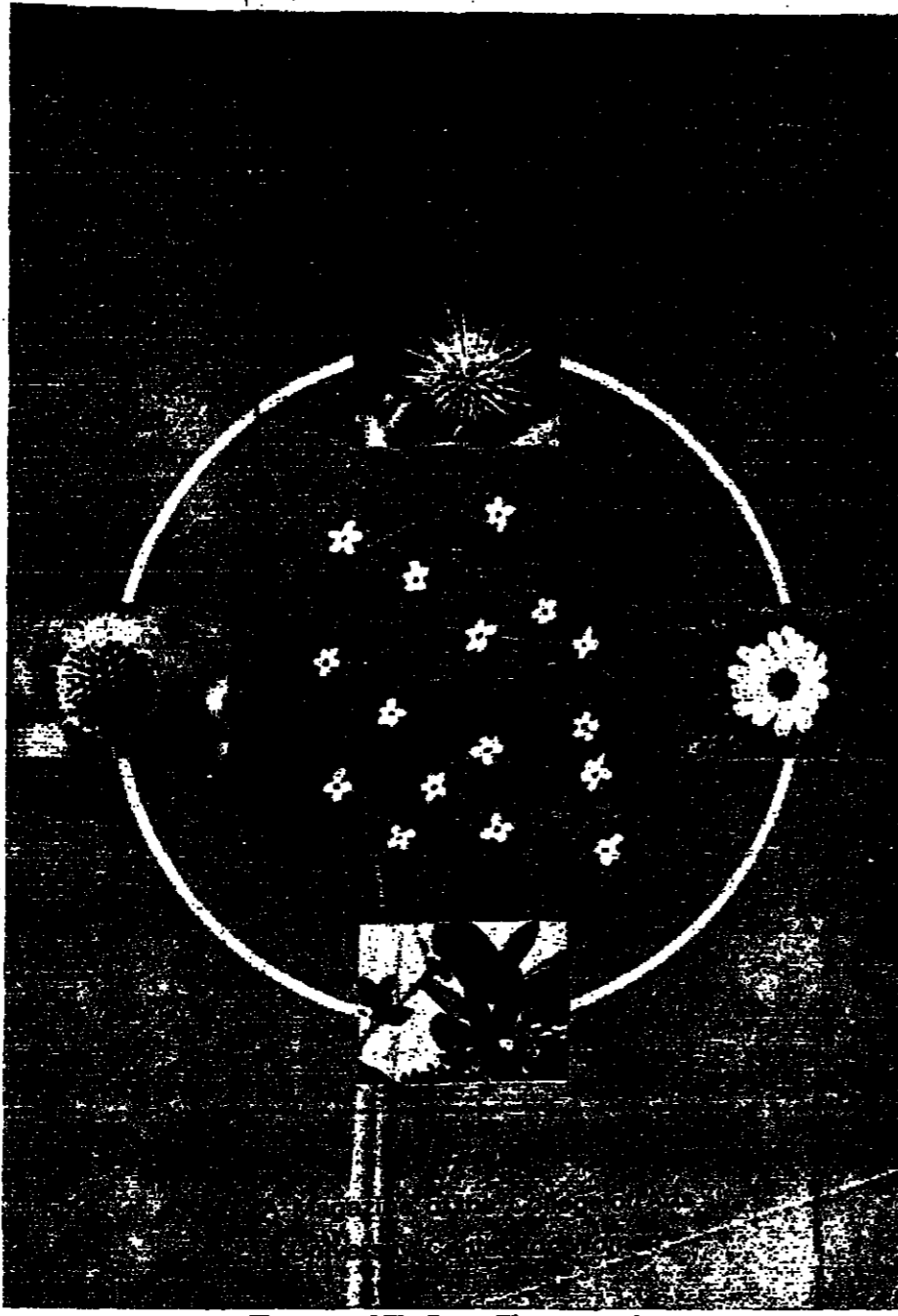
With the next issue, the number of girls increased to nine with three faculty members for supervision. It had originally been planned that the magazine should have two sections, an Arabic and English section, to give all university students a chance to participate. But this plan was rejected, and the magazine became solely a project of the English Department and was produced in English. Mrs. Paula Hashem, one of the supervisors, introduced lay-out procedures and guided the artistic side of the magazine. The number of articles submitted by the girls was 53, but only 32 were selected. The number of pages was increased from 11 to 34.

The third issue of the magazine saw some trouble. Both the editor and co-editor as well as two of the supervisors had left the university. Yet despite the sudden decrease in staff members, the magazine was published in 67 pages.

The magazine has come of age since then. It now has a staff of 15 girls, each with her own flair for writing or drawing. There are eight sections, each with its own editor, in the magazine. There are sections on religion, art, science and technology, literature, amusement, health, food, and campus news to provide the magazine with flavor and variety. Three faculty members provide both supervision and encouragement. The girls now have three experienced typists. They use a pane of glass covered with graph paper, propped up with some books and lit with a small desk lamp, as a layout table. Though the girls do not have any professional equipment to work with, they believe this only causes a bit of frustration and does not prevent them from progressing.

The material which goes into the magazine is varied. The magazine staff decides upon the areas which they would like to cover in the issue. If, for some reason, a girl fails to obtain enough information for an article on a certain subject, she may substitute another article in the same field of interest. Besides, any student or faculty member may publish her article if it is found suitable by the specially appointed panel of supervisors. Most of the articles are taken from personal experiences. Interviews with people outside of the university are hard to obtain, yet the girls have been able to arrange a few. Though they are able to deal with many subjects, topics such as science and technology are difficult to write about. The girls must also keep in mind that most of their readers come from different backgrounds.

The fourth issue of *The Desert Flower*, soon to be released, may be considered a success. It is the end product of talent and determination. Approximately 75 pages have been estimated for this year's issue. The girls believe that the materials which they have compiled are more interesting than those in



The cover of *The Desert Flower* magazine.

previous publications. There are three interviews, including one with Fatimah K. Deffaa, Manageress of the Women's Banking Center of the Saudi American Bank.

The next issue will mark the turning point for the magazine when it will rank with other top-rated publications in the Kingdom. This is the first time that any of the students have had their material published. They have

taken their first exploratory step and they prove to be talented and creative writers who reflect a great deal of intellectual depth.

Throughout Islamic history, the Muslim woman has been able to hold her head up and make a place for herself in society. *The Desert Flower* is another example where women have proven their capabilities in fields which have previously been dominated by men.

**Arab News Diary**

**JEDDAH**

By a Staff Writer

**AL FAISALIYAH WOMEN'S** Welfare Society, in collaboration with the Iraqi Embassy, presented a program of Iraqi costumes at *Meridian Hotel* last Saturday and Sunday before a crowd of women. The guests, including Princess Nauf, wife of Prince Majid bin Abdul Aziz, governor of Makkah, and Princess Lulu bin Faisal, wife of the deputy governor of Makkah, witnessed the progress of Iraqi costumes from the time of the Assyrians to the present day. Amidst a panorama of colorful costumes, models sailed by to the rhythm of music, representing the epoch, while the development of the costume was projected on a screen. The finale depicted dresses with the colors of the Iraqi flag. The show had earlier been held in Europe last year where it was widely acclaimed.

**THE AMBASSADOR OF FINLAND** and Mrs. Kai Helenius hosted a reception last Sunday at their residence in honor of the Finnish Joint Commission delegation and its chairman, Paavo Rantanen, Finnish undersecretary of state, who have just rounded off their successful visit to the Kingdom.

**TO CELEBRATE THE FIRST** anniversary of the Saudi British Bank's ladies branch, Lena Cobb, its manageress, gave a high tea at the *Hyatt Regency* last Sunday evening. The party was graced among others by Princess Nauf, and Princess Lulu bin Faisal. Each guest was presented with an orchid.

**A MINA BAZAR** will be held on April 16 and 17 at the Bangladesh Embassy from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. The embassy is located at Kilo 3, Makkah Road. The bazar will feature Bangladeshi handicrafts and food items along with some local products which will be on sale.

**AL KHAIRYAH WOMEN'S** Welfare Society will present an international folklore Wednesday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. at its premises on Makkah Road, Kilo 3. Tickets of SR150 and SR100 can be obtained from the society's office or at the door.

**RUBINA AND SHUJAAT** Qureshi have been blessed with a second son, a fortnight ago. Rubina, whose husband is an executive with Jamjoom Vehicles, has been

active in women's social activities and welfare work.

**RIYADH**

**UNICEF** officially received its new building last Monday. The ceremony was presided over by Prince Talal bin Abdul Aziz, honorary secretary general of the U.N. and special envoy of UNICEF. Representatives of UNICEF, UNESCO, UNDP, FAO, and ILO were present. A seminar was also held at the Cultural Center of the Saudi Arabian Arts and Culture Society last Wednesday called "Care to the Handicapped Child." It was held with the cooperation of the Health Ministry.

**THE INTERNATIONAL BUSINESSMEN'S ASSOCIATION** held its monthly luncheon at the *Hotel Khazama* Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. The guest speaker was *Stevell Powell*.

**AN IRAQI** traditional costume show was organized by Mrs. Alawi at the International association with the Al Nahda and the Al Wafa Women's Welfare Societies. The guest of honor was Princess Al Bandri bin Abdul Aziz. There was a large gathering to see the Iraqi traditional costumes depicting the history of Iraq from Sumerian, Assyrian, and Islamic times to the present. Each costume was handmade and took over three months to create. The show was followed by a buffet dinner.

**ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT:** Today is the last day for the participants to collect their draw sheets for the Classic Desert Tennis Tournament at the Bac Nadi Hotel. For more information call *Bob Debardeleben* at 4762133.

**SAFEYA BINZAGR'S** exhibition of paintings was inaugurated by *Mansour Al Turki*, the Chairman of the University Saturday. On display until Monday are 40 paintings and 16 lithographs and etchings.

**AN INTERNATIONAL JEWELRY** and precious stone show is being held from April 12 to 16 under the patronage of the Commerce and Industry Department. Showings are from 5-10 p.m., with Tuesdays reserved for women. Jewelry exhibitions of precious metals and stones by Western craftsmen can be seen and bought at the Chamber Building on Dhabab Street.

**EASTERN PROVINCE**

**TWO IMPORTANT** art exhibits will be on display this coming week. In Jubail, *Safeya Binzagr*, the famous Saudi Arabian artist who has exhibited in Paris, will display 40 of her original oils. Although these are not for sale, she does have 12 etchings and lithographs which are *Binzagr* herself will give a presentation introducing the exhibit Saturday, April 18, to ladies only. At 3 p.m. the following day *Khaled H. Ibrahim* from Bechtel will present the exhibit to a general audience. The exhibit will be open Monday, April 20, from 9-11, and 3-5 for women, and from 5-7 for men. If one cannot purchase one of the etchings, the book *Saudi Arabia: An Artist's View of the Past*, with its 130 Binzagr color prints will be available. The exhibit is at Madinat Al Jubail Al Sinaayah, Camp 8, Recreation Center, in front of the Community Hall. This is between 36th and 38th Streets.

**ART LOVERS** who think the drive to Jubail a bit long will be pleased to learn that there is a new exhibit at the Arab Heritage Gallery. The paintings and silk screen prints by *Abdul Mohsen Al Mana* will be exhibited from April 18-30. Al Mana is a Saudi Arabian artist from the Eastern Province who has been painting since 1971. He has a B.A. in Fine Arts from Santa Clara University and has had several one man shows in the United States. Desert landscapes are one of his specialties. The Gallery is open daily 9 a.m. — 1 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-7 p.m., and Fridays from 10-12 p.m.

**THE AUSTRIAN CHAMBER TRIO** will perform in ARAMCO communities from April 18 through 21. *Marga Bauml*, guitarist, *Walter Klansince*, and *Werner Tripp* will play works of all periods. Tickets are SR20 per person and will be sold at the door for the Dhabab performances.

**THE MONTHLY MEETING** of the Society of Petroleum Engineers is sponsoring Milton Haddock, who will speak on reservoir modeling techniques and computerized modeling procedures. The meeting is on April 21, at 7:15 p.m. at the ARAMCO Dhabab Dining Hall.

**HAVE YOU NOTICED** lots of expat teenagers about this past week? Like migratory birds, they are back getting reacquainted with a break from books, the rigors of boarding school, and brushing up their tan instead of their Latin.

**Psychiatrists astonished**

**The characteristics of potential assassins**

By Peter Pringle

**WASHINGTON (ONS)** — Psychiatrists have been astonished to find how closely 25-year-old John Hinckley, the man accused of shooting President Reagan, conforms to their stereotype of an assassin.

The psychiatrists, specialists in violent behavior, say potential assassins are between 20 and 30 years old, usually have an elder brother, have failed to get a regular job or to have a love relationship, have a history of mental instability but have retained the level of competency needed to plan and execute a presidential assassination. Hinckley fits the profile precisely.

These basic characteristics emerge from a study, the National Commission on Causes and Prevention of Violence, set up by Lyndon Johnson after the murder of Robert Kennedy in 1968. The full report, delivered to the U.S. Secret Service, the agency charged with the protection of public figures, has never been made public, but Dr. Lawrence Freeman, a psychiatrist at the University of Chicago, says there is a "remarkable

consistency" between the commissioner's profile of an assassin and the one of Hinckley now emerging in the American press.

Historically, the most striking factor is that Hinckley has an elder, successful brother, who is a vice-president in his father's oil company. Abraham Lincoln was assassinated in 1865 by John Wilkes Booth, the younger brother of a man hailed as the leading actor of his time, Edwin Booth.

Other assassins have been younger children — including Charles Guiteau, who killed President Garfield in 1881; Leon Czolgosz, who shot President McKinley; Lee Harvey Oswald, who killed President Kennedy; Sirhan Sirhan, who killed Robert Kennedy; and Arthur Bremer, who shot Alabama's Governor George Wallace.

"Their family position encourages them rebel against tradition and indulge in rivalry against their elder brother," says another Chicago psychiatrist Dr. Iving Harris, who had made a study of the problem. "When the younger brothers are emotionally stable, like Ralph Nader, they tend to fight against "bigness" or like Billy Carter, to steal some of the limelight from their elder brothers. When

they are emotionally unstable, they may decide to attack presidents."

Dr. Freeman warns against putting too much emphasis on the elder brother syndrome because the number of examples is small. He says better indicators of potential violence are probably a person's failure to settle down and get a regular job, or failure to have a successful love relationship.

Hinckley has been described as a drifter, who failed to complete his college education, and who, for some time, had had a one-sided love affair with the 18-year-old actress, Jodie Foster. He wrote her several letters expressing his love, but she threw them away with the rest of her unsolicited fan mail. Then he set out to impress Foster with what he termed "a historic act."

In his new book, *Kennedy and Lincoln: medical and ballistic comparisons of their assassinations*, John Latimer, of Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center in New York, describes Lee Harvey Oswald as having "a vivid fantasy life turning around the topics of omnipotence and power."

In America, as Dr. Freeman points out, the president is the focus of power — "a highly

visible celebrity and object of envy — all things the assassin is not."

The U.S. Secret Service's task of spotting potential assassins — a seemingly impossible job in a country where there is one hand-gun for every two persons — is being made more difficult, say psychiatrists.

"Assassination is often the product of a single mentally disturbed person who is alienated from society, who feels like a hero, is wanted by no one and can't get a job," says Dr. Sigmond Lebensohn. "We used to lock such people up, but our current legal attitude permits them all to wander about."

An obvious place for the Secret Service to look is in the ranks of extremist political groups, but this is not as fruitful as it may appear. Some assassins have claimed affiliation with particular political groups, but their groups themselves have often rejected the assassins because they were considered undesirable.

Hinckley is no exception. He was a one-time member of the National Socialist Party of America, a neo-Nazi group, but left — or was thrown out — because it was "not militant enough."



UNIFORM: John Hinckley, accused of shooting President Ronald Reagan, is seen here in Nazi uniform.

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Achievement hailed

# Columbia outdates other spaceships

SPACE CENTER, Houston, April 15 (AP) — Columbia and its jubilant astronauts, back from a remarkable maiden voyage, dramatically advanced America's chances of gaining a working foothold in space by 1982 — and someday, said commander John Young, for "going to the stars."

## The shuttle, resting comfortably in Reagan welcomes astronauts home

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan welcomed the Columbia astronauts home Tuesday, saying "your brave adventure has opened a new era in space travel."

In a written statement delivered by White House chief of staff James A. Baker III in Houston, the president said: "You put new worlds within closer reach and more knowledge within our grasp. We thank God for your safe return."

"You were right, Capt. Crippen, when you said the Columbia and her voyage would mean much to this country and to the world. Today the world watched us in triumph."

California, is in excellent condition after its historic journey. The astronauts, exuberant after Tuesday's pinpoint landing, are wealthy and eager to participate in future space projects. Wednesday they began an exhaustive week of debriefings with space agency technicians.

When Young and Robert Crippen brought the spaceship down from orbit to a rock-hard lake bed in California's Mojave desert, they demonstrated that the United States has a space machine that makes all others obsolete — a machine that can fly into space and return to earth like an airplane, ready to fly again, a hundred or more times.

The astronauts, in their own way, probably said it best. "You can't believe what a flying machine this is," young said. "I think we've got a fantastic and remarkable capability here. We're really not too far — the human race isn't — from going to the stars." Said Crippen: "We are really in the space business to stay."

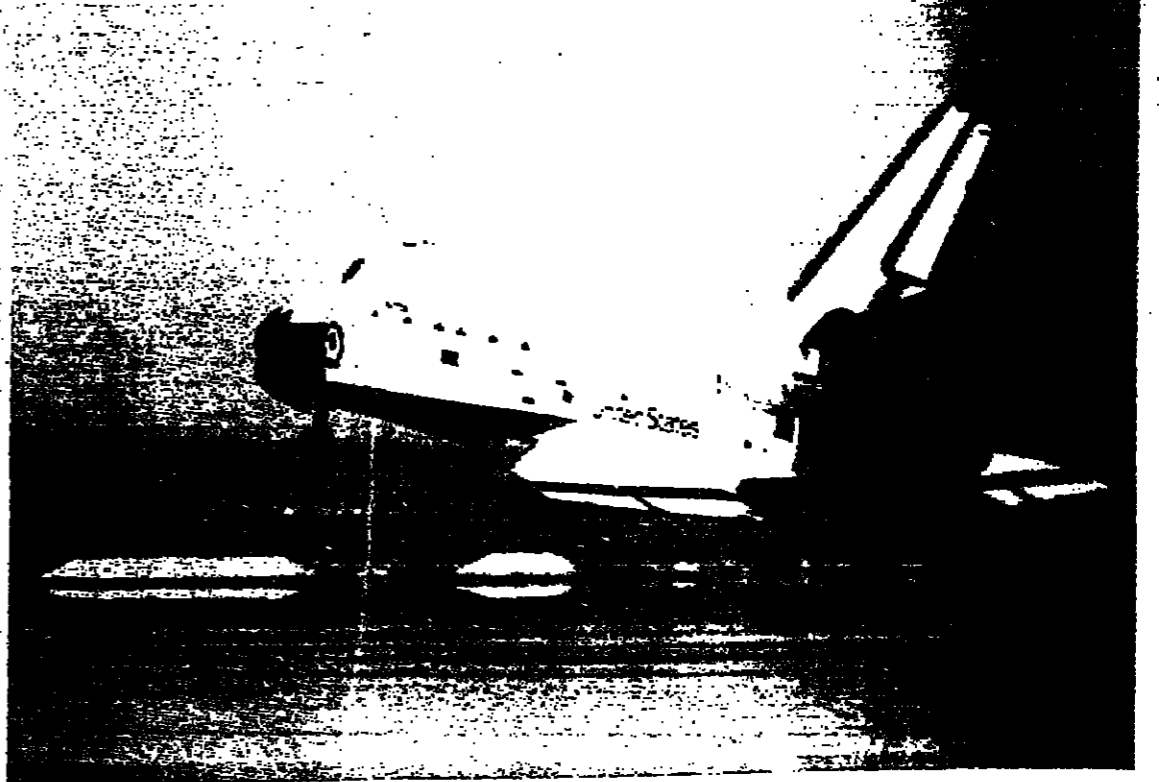
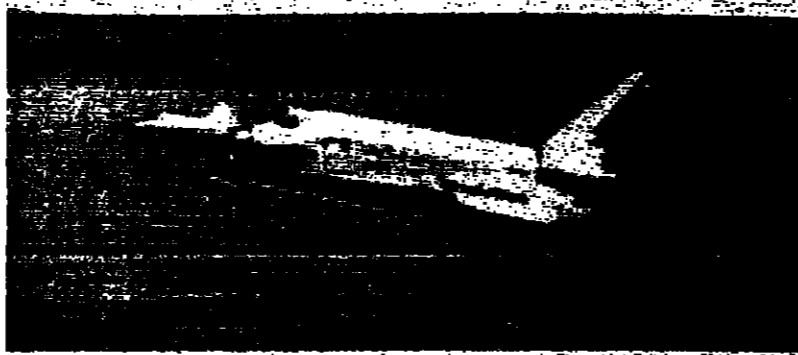
America had left manned space flight to the Soviet Union since 1975. Shortly after the wheels-down landing on Rogers Dry Lake, the two astronauts climbed aboard space agency executive jets for the trip back to the Johnson Space Center here.

For the next seven work days they will meet with National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) specialists, discussing in great detail every one of Columbia's systems to pinpoint any flaws in design or procedure. The aircraft was parked Wednesday at Edwards Air Force Base, where technicians will carefully check it for the next week or so before it is returned to Cape Canaveral, buckled to the back of a special Boeing 747 jetliner. Its next flight, a four-day mission, is scheduled for August or September, with astronauts Joe Engle and Richard Truly at the controls.

Leaders of non-Communist nations and their newspapers matched superlatives in saluting the flight of the space shuttle. They said it heralds both a new era in space exploration and the resurgence of American technology.

Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki called the flight "magnificent." U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim said it was "dramatic" and the Chinese news agency Hsinhua used the word "historic."

In Moscow, the reaction was subdued, and the news agency Tass emphasized the craft's military significance. "A great role is attached to the shuttle program in the testing of various types of the latest weapons," it said. The Czechoslovak Communist Party daily Rude Pravo said "the shadows of the Pentagon ... are already looming over" the shuttle.



PERFECT LANDING: The American space shuttle Columbia returned to earth Tuesday after a historic voyage, surviving a blazing plunge from orbit and a flawless landing at Edwards Air Force Base in the Mojave desert. The top (left) photographs show the shuttle, accompanied by an Air Force chase plane in two pictures, coming in for a pinpoint landing, and the third showing the Columbia safe and sound on the ground. Below (left) the pioneering astronauts John Young (left) and Robert Crippen are all smiles as they visit the VIP area at the base on the completion of their flight. Top, right: The shuttle lands after orbiting earth 36 times in 54 hours. The picture below (right) made from a TV screen shows the reusable spaceship coming in like a giant glider for a perfect landing.

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## Moscow buildup growing, U.K. says

LONDON, April 15 (AP) — Britain said Wednesday the Soviet Union is accelerating its military buildup, with emphasis on "development of offensive and worldwide capabilities."

A Defense Department white paper said that during 1980 Soviet heavy industry turned out more than 100 intercontinental ballistic missiles, more than 1,300 combat aircraft, more than 400 military helicopters, more than 3,000 tanks, five major surface ships, at least nine nuclear-powered submarines and four conventional submarines.

The paper, the government's annual defense review, said perhaps more worrying to the West than the actual new hardware "is the accelerating rate at which these improvements are taking place and the extent to which they reflect an emphasis on the development of offensive and worldwide capabilities."

However, the assessment added, there was still "no reason to believe that Soviet leaders are specifically planning to attack the North Atlantic alliance (countries)." Britain, the paper said, was planning a headquarters under a major general to take charge of any "contingency intervention" outside the NATO area, an apparent reference to British participation in any allied rapid deployment force which may be created.

The paper said Britain would conduct a review on how its 332,000-strong armed forces fulfill the role.



**GUNMEN'S VICTIM:** The body of a Naples prison official Giuseppe Selva lies on the road after unidentified gunmen shot and killed him Tuesday on a busy superhighway skirting Naples.

## 25 coup suspects freed on bail by Thai court

BANGKOK, April 15 (AP) — Twenty-five persons, suspected of involvement in the abortive coup two weeks ago against Prime Minister Prem Tinsulanonda, were released on bail by the military court Tuesday, a government spokesman said Wednesday. The suspects — comprising police officers, army officers and civilians — have been charged with crimes ranging from treason to creating unrest.

They were among nearly 50 persons who gave themselves up after forces loyal to Prem regained control of Bangkok on April 3, ending a three-day uprising. However, the military court denied bail for 12 military officers who reportedly played key roles in the coup attempt. They are being detained in Bangkok pending investigation.

### The coup leader, Gen. Sant Chitpatima, Soviet warships' visit to Cuba worries U.S.

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP) — The State Department has expressed concern over the planned visit of three Soviet warships and a tanker to Cuba. "Any effort by the Soviet Union to expand its influence in this hemisphere — and particularly in the Caribbean only serves to heighten tensions," State Department spokesman Deane Fischer said.

The Soviet news agency Tass has reported that the vessels will visit Cuba for 10 days and apparently entered the Caribbean Sunday. Like all aspects of Soviet-Cuban military collaboration, "this deployment is of concern to us," Fischer said Tuesday.

"We are closely monitoring the vessels and will continue to do so to make sure there is no threat to our security or to that of our neighbors in the hemisphere," he added.

has not been seen since the government regained control of Bangkok. The former deputy army commander is believed to have fled the country. The 56-hour coup attempt was crushed with little resistance when Prem sent his troops into the capital.

## Hailstorms lash China

BEIJING, April 15 (R) — Gales and hailstorms lashed parts of central China last month, damaging or destroying more than 60,000 homes, some of which had only just been repaired after last year's flooding, the official New China News Agency said Wednesday. It quoted the rural relief department of the Ministry of Civil Affairs as saying the storms struck 11 countries of the Yangtze River province of Hubei March 20 and 24.

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## U.S. researchers find

### Unknown blood factor blunts defense against cancer

ATLANTA, Georgia, April 15 (AP) — Cancer patients — and even some healthy people — have something in their blood that blunts the body's natural defense against tumor cells, researchers have said. Scientists at the University of Michigan have discovered a "suppressor factor" that hinders two types of cells in the body's immune system from attacking and destroying tumor cells.

The immune system is the body's internal defense against infection. There is growing evidence it is involved in cancer defense as well. Dr. Stany A. Schwartz, a pediatrician at the Michigan school, said Tuesday the suppressor factor was found in small quantities in the blood of most people. But levels were two to three times higher in cancer patients and in a few healthy volunteers.

Schwartz described the research to the convention of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology here. Some 10,000 scientists are attending the six-day meeting, which ends Friday. Sponsors say it is the largest scientific meeting in the world.

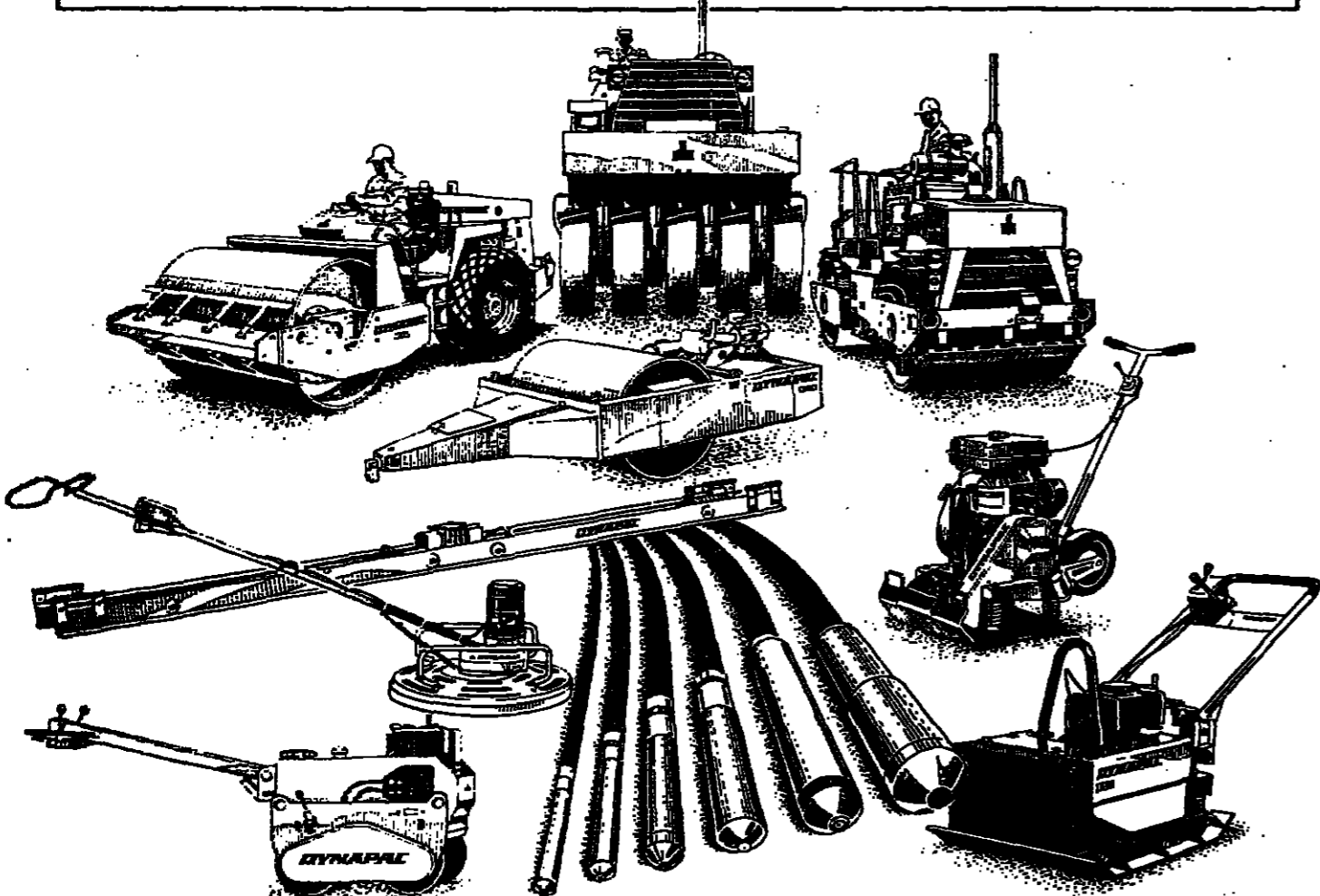
Schwartz said the suppressor factor may help explain the "vicious circle" suffered by some cancer patients, in which the ability of the immune system to resist the disease actually decreases as the size of the tumor increases.

In a series of experiments, Dr. Madhavan

P.N. Nair and Schwartz found the suppressor factor in patients with cancers of the colon, rectum, large intestine, small intestine, bladder and lung. The scientist added a purified extract of blood to an artificial culture in which cancer cells were growing along with two immune system cells — "natural killer" cells that attack tumors without need of antibodies, and "antibody-dependent" killer cells which rely on antibodies to recognize the tumor. Blood from healthy people inhibited tumor cell killing about 20 per cent, the scientists found. But blood from cancer patients cut it by 40 per cent, on average, and as much as 60 per cent in some cases. The greatest inhibition was from intestinal

and bladder cancer patients, the scientists said. Lung cancer patients had the least. The two scientists theorize that the suppressor factor may be a natural means of putting the brakes on the killer cells, Schwartz said. "Unbridled killing mechanisms, if they go astray would become pathologic in themselves," he said. But the scientists do not know why cancer patients — and even some healthy people — have more of the factor, Schwartz said. It may be that the tumor induces the factor somehow. Or it may be that people with high levels of the factor are more likely to get tumors. The scientist may try to follow people with high levels of the factor to see if they have an added risk of cancer, he said.

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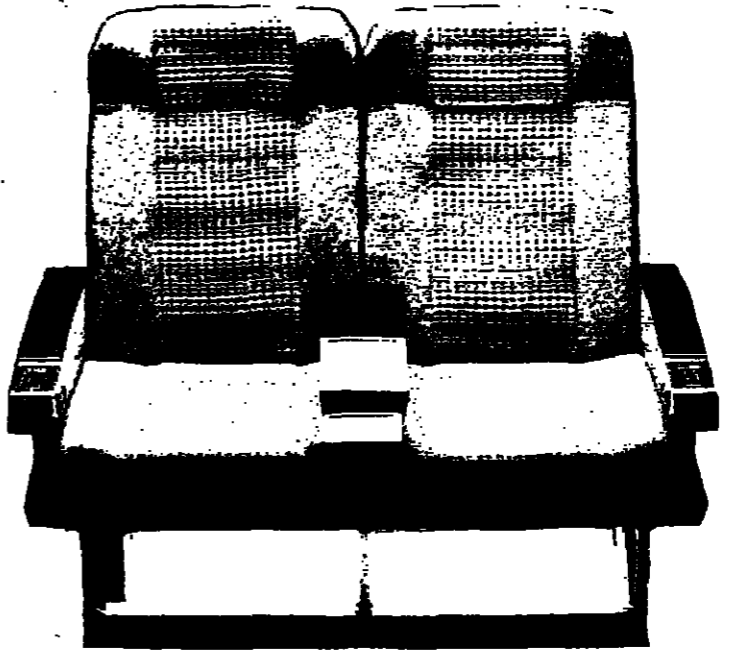
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# Iraq asks Kuwait for \$2b

KUWAIT, April 15 (R) — Iraq has asked Kuwait for a \$2-billion interest-free loan to repair damage from six months of war with Iran, parliamentary sources have said.

They said Tuesday the Kuwait government had passed the request to Kuwait's newly-elected parliament which would probably consider it on April 21. Iraq has asked for the loan to be interest-free and repayable over 10 years, starting in 1983, the sources said.

The request is the first public indication that Iraq needs help to finance the cost of its war with Iran, which has caused damage to Iraqi industrial plants, including oil refineries, power stations and cement works.

Before the war broke out in September last year, Iraq was the world's second-largest oil exporter after Saudi Arabia, and had built up an estimated \$35 billion of surplus oil revenue.

It has been difficult to establish how much of this sum Iraq has actually spent in the war, but the cost of the fighting has appeared great. Iraqi officials said last December that the whole economy was geared to the war and top priority in the 1981 economic plan would be to repairing the war damage.

The 1981 budget announced in January gave a sign of the costs. It allocated \$36 billion to imports and investment spending, over 25 per cent more than last year.

The parliamentary sources said Iraq had asked for the loan in six installments, \$500 million to be paid this month and a further \$300 million in each of the next five months.

The loan would be repaid in \$200 million installments between 1983 and 1992 with no interest or commission to be charged.

Kuwait, only 150 km (90 miles) from some of the nearest fighting in the Gulf war, is a major oil exporter and has total foreign assets of more than \$60 billion.



**AIRLINE STAFF STRIKE:** Shift-working employees of Luftansa Service GmbH at Stuttgart-Echterdingen airport are pictured last week in front of a truck of their company to demand more vacation in a limited warning strike. Their union has been negotiating on this issue, but without success.

## After widening Suez Canal revenue jumps

CAIRO, April 15 (R) — Revenue from the Suez Canal has risen dramatically in the past three months following completion of a huge project to widen and deepen the waterway, Egyptian officials have said.

Mashour Ahmad Mashour, chairman of the Suez Canal Authority, said Tuesday that

### Turkey devalues lira

ANKARA, April 15 (R) — Turkey devalued the lira against the U.S. dollar in a series of adjustments announced by the central bank Wednesday.

The dollar went up in value to 98.20 from 95.65 lira, but the Turkish currency gained slightly in value against the West German mark, sterling and nine other currencies.

tolls in March were a monthly record of \$85 million, compared with \$60 million last November.

A \$1.3-billion project to enlarge the canal was completed last December, enabling all but the largest supertankers to use the 173-kilometer (108-mile) waterway. A new toll structure has also been introduced.

Mashour said that last month the average daily tonnage passing through the canal was 30 per cent up on December and the authority had revised its revenue projections. It was now budgeting for earnings of \$1.2 billion during the 12 months starting next July. The canal is Egypt's biggest source of foreign exchange behind remittances from Egyptians abroad and oil revenues.

## Scientist flays U.S. energy policy

By Dave Kaiser  
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, April 15 — U.S. government regulations which restrict the energy industry and U.S. government subsidies which encourage both small refiners and large oil companies to compete for federal funds without concern for efficiency were criticized here by Michael T. Halbouty, during the annual convention of the Texas Oil Marketers' Association.

"In a land of energy plenty, we have fallen with the energy poor," said Halbouty, who headed U.S. President Reagan's energy transition team. "Much of what was done in

## Jakarta becomes world's top LNG seller

JAKARTA, April 15 (R) — Indonesia has signed 20-year contracts with four Japanese companies that make it the world's bilateral seller of liquefied natural gas, and the price will be linked to those of Indonesia crude oil.

The agreements were signed here by the state-owned Pertamina Oil Corporation with Chubu Electric, Kansai Electric, Osaka Gas and Toho Gas companies.

A sliding price scale linked to crude oil prices means that no total value can be placed on the contracts. But analysts said the contracts would probably double Indonesia's annual earnings from the gas in 1980 of almost \$2.3 billion.

The price will be fully linked to a "basket" of Indonesian crude, where previously it was 90 per cent linked to an average crude price, according to Pertamina Director General Plet Haryono.

As average crude prices go up, the gas price will go up in the same proportion. Effectively, this means a price of \$5.87 per million British thermal units (BTU) at present oil prices — up from \$5.46, industry sources said.

Haryono said two additional production units, extra storage tanks and loading facilities will be built by the American Bechtel company at an estimated total cost of \$900 million. Japanese shipyards will construct three liquefied natural gas tankers to transport the gas to Japan, he said.

### EEC, India sign pact

BRUSSELS, April 15 (AP) — India and the 10-nation European Economic Community Wednesday reached agreement on a five-year trade and economic cooperation agreement.

The pact envisions industrial, technological and scientific cooperation, exchanges the EEC called "a considerable advance on the 1973 agreement which limited economic cooperation to trade matters." The pact must be ratified by India and the 10 EEC countries.

During the negotiations, India sought concessions that would spur Common Market purchases of Indian products.

### Contract with Japan

said Indonesia was now the biggest gas seller in the world on a bilateral basis. Earlier this month, a Belgian deal to buy Algerian liquefied natural gas was seen by Western oil industry sources as a breakthrough for Algeria in getting gas prices aligned with those for crude oil in terms of heat delivered.

Meanwhile, the man who rescued Indonesia's Pertamina oil company from

near-bankruptcy is to be replaced in a management shake-up announced by oil minister Subroto Tuesday.

He told reporters that Yudo Sumbono, at present director for domestic supply, would next Monday replace Haryono, who leaves after five years during which period Pertamina's debts whittled down from \$10 billion to \$2 billion.

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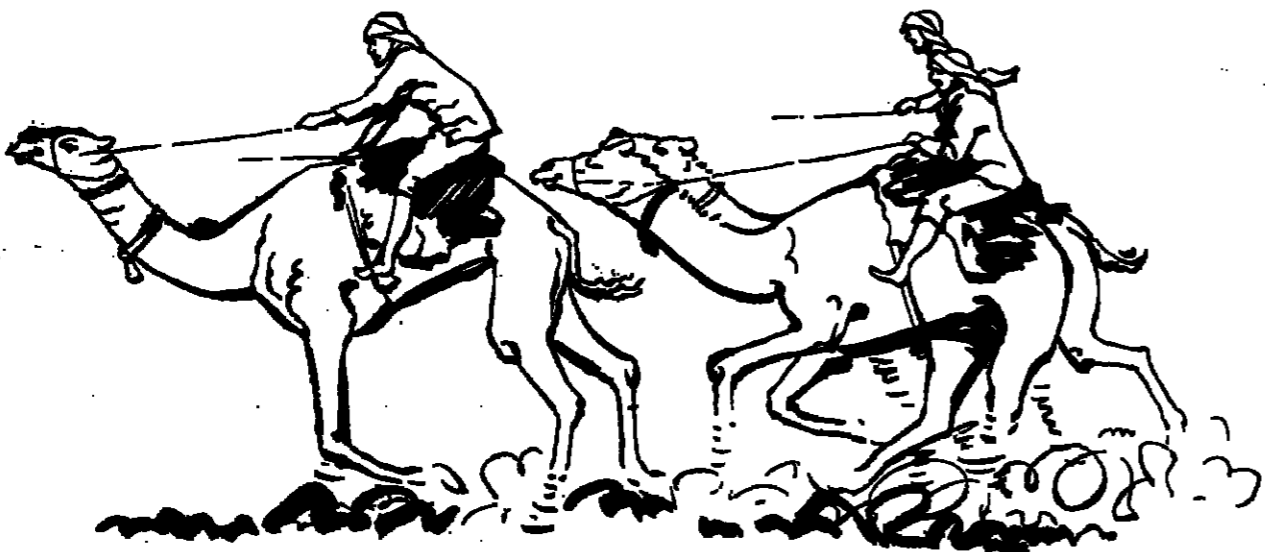
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# Bonn offers Poland moratorium on debts

FRANKFURT, April 15 (AP) — West German banks have offered to reschedule repayments of the principal on all Polish loans due between March 26 and June 30, a source said Wednesday.

A spokesman for Dresdner Bank said the offer was made following a meeting of West German bankers late Tuesday. The offer was extended providing all interest during this period be paid and other conditions fulfilled, the bank said.

West German banks also require equal treatment with their foreign counterparts in any rescheduling of Poland's outstanding foreign credits totaling \$27 billion the spokesman said.

West Germany is Poland's largest creditor in the West, and banks here hold \$4.5 billion in credits to the Communist nation. Some \$5.7 billion in Western debts are maturing this year. Poland took out extensive loans during the 1970s to finance its industrial development program and provide more consumer goods for its 37 million people.

But with the worldwide economic slump in the late 1970s, the Poles were unable to find enough foreign export customers to earn money to repay the debts. The economic strain caused by the indebtedness was one of the principal reasons for last summer's wave

of strikes which resulted in the birth of Eastern Europe's first, nationwide independent labor movement.

Christoph Von Der Decken, managing board member of Dresdner Bank, said earlier this month that Poland should receive a temporary payment moratorium to allow the Polish government "breathing space" until July.

## American stocks

NEW YORK, April 15 (AP) — The stock market headed higher Wednesday morning. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial, down Monday and Tuesday, recovered 5.05 to 994.15 in the first hour. Gainers took a slightly lead over goods among New York stock exchange-listed issues. Analysts said there was nothing in the news to account for the advance. The market's retreat in the past two sessions was ascribed to the recent upswing in interest rates. But there was considerable disagreement on Wall Street over whether that marked a significant factor or was just a temporary interruption of the downward trend in recent months. Amid that confusion, brokers noted stock prices have not shown any clear pattern since early this month.

## London stock market

LONDON, April 15 — Share prices closed mostly easier with the approaching long Easter weekend making for a quiet session, dealers said. At 1500 hours, the forward trading (FT) index was down 0.9 at 547.9.

Electronics closed above the day's lows, having earlier fallen following the U.K. defense white paper, but oils closed at weakest levels with Burmah down 5p at 167, a level touched prior to its results. U.K. government bonds ended little changed in subdued trading while Canadian and U.S. stocks were mostly easier.

Gold shares came off in places from opening firmer levels in minimal activity. GEC and Plessey ended 7p and 5p down on balance, while Ferranti recouped a 20p fall. Thorn was 2p higher on the day.

## Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Wednesday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.60	8.91
Belgian Franc (1,000)	94.00	100.00	—
Canadian Dollar	2.81	3.20	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	155.00	157.25	154.50
Dutch Guilder (100)	140.00	141.00	139.50
Egyptian Pound	—	4.10	4.30
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	91.20	91.40
French Franc (100)	65.00	67.00	65.50
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	—	66.50
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	40.45
Iraqi Riyal (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	8.00	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	31.00	32.50	31.50
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.50	—	15.51
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.35	10.27
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.24	12.17
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	84.50	83.50
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	71.00	71.10
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	34.00
Philippine Peso (100)	—	—	44.00
Pound Sterling	7.29	7.34	7.28
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	92.00	92.20
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	—	158.85
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	—	38.15
Swiss Franc (100)	169.00	173.00	169.25
Syrian Lira (100)	—	55.40	56.50
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# Financial Roundup

## Dollar firms; local rates ease

By J.H. Hammond.

JEDDAH, April 15 — The Wednesday European exchanges saw the dollar continue to be firm against nearly all major European currencies and the yen. With the markets due to shut Friday (Easter Friday) many dealers were active in taking long dollar positions, hoping the dollar rally will continue over to Monday's opening. Given the political simmerings in Poland and the fact that there has not been any move by the "Fed," the American central bank, to reduce U.S. interest rates, then the taking of such positions without could be a risk. But nobody knows what might happen before the markets finally close Thursday.

Dollar interest rates still continued to show a wide positive differential in its favor compared to the sterling or mark which are touching 12 1/2 per cent in the one month. One-month Euro-dollar rates are now quoted at 16 13/16 offer — a slight fall due to traders quoting over the long Easter-holiday weekend period. On the exchanges, the dollar rose against the sterling by nearly one cent, to levels of 2.1655 compared to 2.1710 levels in New York. The yen was also fairly weak at 216.20 levels and so was the Swiss franc which fell to a new record low of 1.9840 against the dollar. Although Switzerland is now climbing back into surplus after being in deficit last year, the Swiss authorities are worried by the new weakness of the Swiss franc. The trouble with that currency is that it is informally tied to the EMS — the European Monetary System — and any weakening in those currencies has an impact on the Swiss franc. The

German mark seems to have stabilized at 2.1730 levels and dealers are already beginning to brace themselves for the level to reach 2.20 — one more "psychological barrier" for the level to reach 2.20 — one more psychological barrier" for the dollar to leap.

Locally, rial rates were generally firm with some sizeable dealings in most tenors, but again concentrations in the short dates. One-month BIBOR rate eased to 14 1/4 — 14 1/2 per cent, a slight fall from the 15 1/4 — 15 1/2 per cent levels reached Tuesday, but again a reaction to dealing over a longer weekend. At one stage, in fact, the rial yield curve was perfectly flat, a phenomena rarely achieved with European currencies. Dealer saw rates of 14 1/4 — 14 1/2 per cent quoted for all periods from one month to one year.

Spot foreign exchange took local dealing to levels of 3.3510-15, with some demand coming from Bahrain banks.

Gold which had closed at \$485 in Europe, slipped slightly to \$483.20 in New York and remained at that level when Europe and markets opened Wednesday. Silver firmed to \$11.42 in Europe (New York closing \$11.38) with the announcement that the United States might not be able to sell some of its silver hoarding this year at least, the main reason is Congress might not pass the proposed bill on time.

Wednesday's closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

London	475.75
Paris	516.92
Zurich	477.50
Hong Kong	484.16

## West agrees to fund IMF

PARIS, April 15 (AFP) — Western countries have agreed to provide extra finance for the fund-starved International Monetary Fund, informed sources here have confirmed.

The confirmation follows the meeting of the finance ministers of the five leading industrialized nations and the meeting of the central bank governors on the same day in Switzerland.

In order to help third world countries experiencing balance of payments difficulties, the IMF needs between \$6 billion and \$7 billion special drawing rights (SDR's) this year.

## Prices increase in OECD states

PARIS, April 15 (AFP) — Consumer prices rose 0.9 per cent in February against 1.1 per cent in January in the member countries of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

The 12-month increase was 11.2 per cent, compared with last year's average inflation rate of 12.9 per cent. The rate for the last six months was 5.4 per cent against five per cent in January.

## U.S. to reopen gas talks with Algeria

BIRMINGHAM, Alabama, April 15 (AP) — Warren Christopher, who worked with Algerian intermediaries to help free the hostages in Iran, has been hired by three natural gas pipeline companies to negotiate with Algeria for resumption of gas shipments, the companies say.

The companies — Southern Natural Gas Co., Columbia Gas System and Consolidated Natural Gas — said Tuesday they had notified the Algerian state-owned energy company they wanted to open discussions on shipments of liquefied natural gas to the United States.

As deputy secretary of state for the administration of ex-President Jimmy Carter, Christopher was involved in talks with

Algerian intermediaries for the Jan. 20 release of the 52 Americans held hostage in Iran. He now is a member of the Los Angeles law firm of O'Melveny and Myers.

## World Court rejects Maltese request

THE HAGUE, April 15 (R) — The International Court of Justice has rejected a Maltese request to intervene in a dispute between Tunisia and Libya over the delimitation of their continental shelf.

The two countries submitted the dispute to the court in December 1978 after disagreement over oil exploration rights on the shelf.

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Netherlands, Canada protest

# Chinese girls score impressive victory

NOVI SAD, Yugoslavia, April 15 (R) — Communist China made an impressive start their defense of the Corbillon women's cup at the World Table Tennis Championships. They swept to a 3-0 win over Hong Kong in a second round group "A" match on Tuesday.

The Chinese women have won the world cup title at the last three championships and their fine early form was sustained Wednesday by Qui Baoxing and Tong Ling, ranked three and four in the world respectively.

Qui beat Hong Kong's Lai Sau Lam 21-12, 1-12, while Tong toppled Hui So Hung 1-13, 21-10. Zhang Deying and Cao 'anhua clinched China's emphatic win with a 1-10, 21-13 doubles victory over Lai and Hui.

South Korea's women bounced back from Tuesday's defeat by West Germany to beat Hungary 3-1 another Group "A" match.

Asian dominance of the Group "A" second round clashes was checked when West Germany edged out Japan 3-2 to consolidate the line start they made by beating South Korea by a similar score in the first round.

Kristen Kruger played a key part in the downfall of the Japanese. She won her first singles to level the score at 1-1 and clinched victory by beating Rie Wada 21-17, 13-21, 21-14 in the final singles.

In the Swaythling men's team cup, hosts Yugoslavia beat Italy 5-2 for their second victory in Group "B". Australia were beaten 5-0 by the Yugoslavs Tuesday and Wednesday they suffered another whitewash, this time by the Soviet Union.

Meanwhile, Denmark, the Netherlands, and Canada have objected to the inclusion of South Korea in the top category of the team event.

The three countries have protested to the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) because their teams were put in lower sections after South Korea successfully applied for reinstatement to the championships.

The South Koreans did not compete in the last world event at Pyongyang, North Korea, two years ago. Denmark and the Netherlands started, while Canada protested when they arrived because they did not know about their relegation until then.

Results Men: Romania beat Malaysia 5-1; United States beat Switzerland 5-3; Denmark beat Hong Kong 5-4; Netherlands beat Egypt 5-2; Bulgaria beat India 5-3; Austria beat Wales 5-3; Czechoslovakia beat Soviet Union 5-1; Sweden beat West Germany 5-3; Nigeria beat Norway 5-3; Finland beat Israel 5-4; Yemen beat Mexico 5-4; Trinidad and Tobago beat Libya 5-0.

Ghana beat Morocco 5-0; Spain beat Luxembourg 5-2; Scotland beat Macao 5-0; Romania beat Egypt 5-0; Netherlands beat Austria 5-0; Soviet Union beat Australia 5-0; Wales beat Switzerland 5-0; United States beat Malaysia 5-2; Yugoslavia beat Italy 5-2.

Women: West Germany beat Japan 3-2; China beat Hong Kong 3-0; South Korea beat Hungary 3-1; Denmark beat Malaysia 3-1; Canada beat New Zealand 3-1; Greece beat Brazil 3-2; Switzerland beat Ghana 3-1; Netherlands beat Indonesia 3-0.



NAIM SHALLIT... action at the Center.

## Action at Jeddah Bowling Center hots up

By Laurie Thomas

JEDDAH, April 15 — Regular bowlers at the Jeddah Bowling Center (JBC) can look forward to two months of competitive bowling action with two new leagues recently started, adding three evenings play to the existing league situation.

At present, league play runs on six days, with four senior leagues and one junior league, two of the senior leagues being open and two, the Diplomatic and Philippine leagues, run on a closed basis.

The JBC Summer League begins the week on Saturdays when 18 teams, each with five players, take part in the first of the open leagues. Now in the third week, the league is headed by "Strike-Bowlers", a team of mixed nationality led by JBC man-

ager Naim Shallita, but with 16 weeks still to go every team has a chance.

Sunday sees the first of the closed competitions when 14 embassy teams from nine embassies meet in the Inter-Diplomatic League, now in its closing stages. The U.S. Embassy has three teams entered and at present occupies the first and third places, the Netherlands splitting them in second place. The League has been running since November and is scheduled to finish at the end of May which makes the U.S. favorites for the trophy.

The Philippine League plays on Monday and Friday nights and the ten teams are currently headed by Saudi Airlines. Once again, however, the League is only in its third week and positions could change

dramatically during the two month period. June sixth is the scheduled finish of the league and the awards will coincide neatly with the Philippine National Day on June 12.

The second open League is played Tuesday and features sixteen teams. They have now completed their second week and look forward to three months of ten-pin action. Thursday afternoon sees the younger set take to the alleys in the Boys and Girls Leagues, both at their half-way stage. With six weeks gone and six remaining, M. McCormick holds the highest game score (165) in the boys' and A. Eyer (136) tops the girls' high scores.

Arab News will publish a weekly roundup of the games which will continue over the next few months.

## Czechs strike in second half

ISTANBUL, April 15 (R) — Czechoslovakia beat Turkey 3-0 in a World Soccer Cup qualifying tie Wednesday to stay in the hunt for a place in the finals in Spain next year.

A hard pressed defense made efficient use of the offside trap to keep out Czechoslovakia in the first half, but the home side wilted under the pressure exerted after the interval.

Janecka broke the deadlock in the 57th minute, leaping ahead and sliced open the square Turkish defense and easily beat goalkeeper Senol.

Kozak scored the second in the 70th minute, leaping to head home skipper Netoda's delicately played chip over the goalkeeper's head.

Vizek made it 3-0 for the Czechoslovaks nine minutes from time, after jinking past two defenders in the penalty box.

## Rockets edge out Spurs to take lead

In NBA playoffs

NEW YORK, April 15 (AP) — The Kansas City Kings, who lead the best-of-seven Western Conference semifinal in the National Basketball Association by 3-1, will try to finish off the Phoenix Suns Wednesday night in Phoenix, Arizona. Also Wednesday San Antonio plays Houston and Milwaukee is at Philadelphia.

Ennue Grunfeld is proving to be some kind of royalty with the Kings. He was drafted on the first round in 1977 by Milwaukee as a forward but proved too small to play a front-court position in the NBA. He was traded to Kansas City in 1979 and converted into a guard, at which position he started 27 games this season because of injuries to regulars Phil Ford and Otis Birdsong.

Grunfeld has been a starter since Ford collided with Golden State's Lloyd Free in a late-season game and suffered a scratched eye which led to blurred vision. When Birdsong injured an ankle in the playoffs, small

forward Scott Wedman was shifted to guard alongside Grunfeld.

In Sunday's 102-95 Kansas City victory, Grunfeld played the full 48 minutes and scored 27 points.

"At first all I did was bring the ball up and try to get everyone involved in the offense," he said. "That was not too difficult. The big thing is the players and coach were willing to be patient with me and adjust their style. With Phil (Ford), we ran. With me we have become more of a set-up team, and that has caused the Suns a lot of their problems. We took them out of their rhythm."

Also executing well are the Houston Rockets, who took a 3-2 lead in the other West semifinal by beating the Spurs 123-117

Tuesday night at San Antonio.

In Switzerland, Portugal virtually assured its seat from the European Basketball Championship by beating Switzerland 91-80 in a Group "C" match Tuesday night.

Santos, high-scoring Portuguese player, was contained during the first half by Roberto Zali, but after the interval shook clear: several times to score a personal total of 20 points.

Portugal is now the only squad with a 100 per cent record in the five-nation contest and looks sure to go ahead to the Group "B" tournament in Izmir Turkey, next month.

Iceland beat Algeria 72-70 in a gripping finish when their giant Gudmundsson scored only 50 seconds before the final whistle.

## Panatta stops Pecci

MONTE CARLO, Monaco, April 15 (AP) — One day after eliminating top-seeded Bjorn Borg of Sweden in a first-round match, Paraguay's Victor Pecci himself was ousted from the \$250,000 Monte Carlo Open Tennis Tournament Wednesday by Adriano Panatta of Italy.

The Italian moved into the quarter-finals with a quick 6-2, 6-2 win. Panatta, who at age 30 is one of the older players on the pro circuit, will now meet Jose Higueras of Spain.

In first-round matches Wednesday, American Jimmy Connors eliminated Crogado Barazzutti of Italy in straight sets, 6-4, 7-6. Connors will meet Pascal Portes of France in a second-round match.

Guillermo Vilas from Argentina, devastated Ilic Nastase of Romania 6-0, 6-7. Nastase is the only pro player to have gone to the Monte Carlo Open three consecutive years.

Top-seeded John McEnroe begins play in the Jack Kramer Tennis Open Wednesday night, obviously hoping he lasts longer in the \$75,000 event at the Los Angeles Tennis Club than second-seeded Roscoe Tanner did.

Unseeded Hank Pfister eliminated Tanner 6-4, 6-4 in a first-round match Tuesday night, ousting the hard-serving left-hander by breaking his service once in each set while holding his service throughout the 68-minute match.

McEnroe takes on unseeded Ferdi Taygan in Wednesday's feature match. Pfister, ranked 82nd in the world faces unseeded John Lloyd of Great Britain in a second-round match on Thursday.

In other first-round matches involving seeded players on Tuesday, No. 4 Bill Scanlon downed Sherwood Stewart 6-1, 6-4, No.



ADRIANO PANATTA... stops giant-killer Victor Pecci.

5 Rolf Gehring of West Germany whipped Trey Waltke 6-4, 6-2. No. 6 Sandy Mayer rallied to defeat Vince Van Patten 1-6, 6-1, 6-3 in a two-hour marathon, and No. 8 Stan Smith struggled to a 7-5, 7-5 triumph over Ramesh Krishnan of India.

In matches involving unseeded players, John Austin topped Tim Wilkinson 6-4, 6-2; Mark Edmondson outlasted Scott Davis 6-3, 2-6, 6-4, and Nick Saviano topped Bruce Manson 6-3, 6-3.

## Reardon moves ahead

SHEFFIELD, England, April 15 (R) — Former world champion Ray Reardon entered the quarter-finals of the World Professional Snooker Championship beating John Spencer, also of Britain, by 13 frames to 11 here Tuesday.

Canadian Cliff Thorburn, the defending champion, carried a 10-6 lead over Britain David Taylor into the final session Wednesday afternoon of their quarterfinal match.

Thorburn resumed the best of 25 frames match Tuesday evening trailing 4-3, but he won the first six frames before Taylor hit back with victories in two of the last three frames.

The defending champion got his first century break of the championship in the second-last frame, compiling 114.

British champion Steve Davis resumes with a lead over former world champion Terry Griffiths after a prolonged struggle between the pair Tuesday, resulting in the

session being cut short with two frames less than scheduled being played. The match will be decided Wednesday with 11 frames instead of the usual nine being played if the duel goes the whole way.

In the other quarterfinals, Welshman Doug Mountjoy led Irish champion Dennis Taylor 5-3.

Results: (second round): Ray Reardon beat John Spencer 13-11. Third session frame scores (Reardon first): 44-78, 44-79, 77-9, 0-76, 54-33, 47-60, 65-30, 78-21.

Quarter-finals: Steve Davis leads Terry Griffiths 9-5. Second session frame scores (Davis first): 59-46, 82-37, 73-59, 11-67, 66-52, 87-14.

Doug Mountjoy leads Dennis Taylor 5-3. First session frame scores (Mountjoy first): 48-95, 6-54, 44-72, 71-31, 90-14, 60-51, 78-1, 57-20.

### BRIEFS

ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey, (R) — Matthew Saad Muhammad will defend his World Boxing Council (WBC) light-heavyweight championship against fellow American Murray Sutherland here on April 25, the promoters announced. Sutherland, from Michigan, is the WBC's sixth-ranked contender.

LONDON, (AFP) — England's team for the European Amateur Boxing Championships at Tampere, Finland from April 30 to May 11 has been decimated because the British Amateur Boxing Association (ABA) finals take place at the same time. There are two current champions however, in England's six man line up — Fey Frost and Jim Price.

GOTHENBURG (AFP) — Czechoslovakia beat West Germany 6-2 here Wednesday in a Pool "B" match of the World Ice Hockey Championships. Scorers for Czechoslovakia: first period, Jaroslav Korbela (13:13). Second period, M. Novy (6:20); Miroslav Dvorak (17:13). Third period: Petr Misek (2:46), Pavel Richter (6:30) M. Novy (17:55).

MELBOURNE, (AFP) — Australian cricketers, Dennis Lillee and Rodney Marsh have been left out of next month's tour party to Sri Lanka because of injuries. Lillee has an elbow injury and is recovering from a recent nose operation, while Rodney Marsh has a knee injury. Both players are

expected to join the Australian cricket tourists in England in mid-May.

LONDON, (AFP) — Geoff Boycott, England's opening batsman had his say at the annual Cricketers' Association meeting in Birmingham Monday, although he is still away in the West Indies. He successfully proposed that rest days should be included in the three Test series against India and Pakistan in 1982 and also that if the Sunday play experiment should continue Tests should start on a Friday with rest day on Mondays.

AUGUSTA, Georgia, (AFP) — Tom Watson of America, winner of the "Masters" Golf Tournament on Sunday has now set his sights on the United States Open in June. He said "my main ambition is now to win the American Open". Watson who has twice triumphed in the "Masters", three times at the British Open and at the P.G.A. Tournament, has never won the U.S. open. The four tournaments together make up the golfing Grand Slam.

LONDON, (AFP) — Melanie Smith, America's leading woman show-jumper, heads the list of ten riders from the United States who have qualified for the final stages of the Volvo World Cup to be held in Birmingham. Smith was runner-up last year to her countryman, Conrad Honfeld, when the event was staged in Baltimore, Maryland.

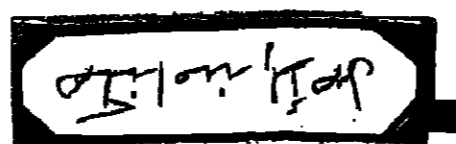
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Villa defenders' lapse helps

Ipswich keeps hopes alive

BIRMINGHAM, England, April 15 (AP) — Ipswich bounced back from an English Cup semifinal defeat on Saturday to score a magnificent 2-1 win at Aston Villa Tuesday night and keep alive its hopes of the English First Division title.

Ipswich, which lost the chance of a unique League and Cup "double" on Saturday, had to win Tuesday's match to stay in the hunt for the 1980-81 championship, which has

How They Stand

Table with columns: Team, P, W, D, L, F, A, Pts. Lists Ipswich, Aston Villa, Liverpool, etc.

developed into a two-horse race with Villa over the last few weeks.

Ipswich's win takes it on to 54 points, one point behind Villa. But Ipswich has a vital game in hand, with five matches to play against Villa's four and a superior goal difference.

Ipswich, which has played more matches than other side in the First Division this season, needed a good start to offset Villa's possible superior fitness and morale in a match billed as the title decider.

Alan Brazil obliged, scoring a vital fourth minute goal after a dreadful error from Villa defender Ken McNaught.

The goal gave Ipswich a vital injection of energy and its players suddenly found the legs and enthusiasm to produce the form that put the team in line for several major honors until a recent spate of defeats.

Ipswich held on to the lead defending brilliantly, and a near-capacity crowd was stunned when the visitors snatched a second goal with 10 minutes left, Eric Gates scoring from 20 yards on the counter-attack.

Villa pulled a goal back two minutes later through Gary Shaw but the Ipswich defense

stood firm. League champions Liverpool continued their indifferent season with a home defeat by Manchester United, defender Gordon McQueen heading the game's only goal in the sixth minute.

The defeat was Liverpool's second at home in nine games. They had been unbeaten at Anfield for 85 matches until Leicester won there in January.

Score Results

Table with columns: English Division One, Division Two, Division Three, Division Four. Lists teams and scores.

Tottenham Hotspur out to prove mettle

LONDON, April 15 (AP) — Tottenham Hotspur, robbed of a place in the 100th F.A. Cup final by a controversial refereeing decision, gets a second chance Wednesday night.

Tottenham led Wolverhampton Wanderers 2-1 until the last minute of Saturday's semifinal at Hillsborough. Referee Clive Thomas then awarded a penalty that even the Wolves players admitted should never have been given.

Willie Carr scored from the penalty spot and the two teams now meet again at High Wycombe Wednesday night to decide which meets Manchester City at Wembley Stadium on May 9.

The Tottenham players, bitter after Thomas' decision to award a penalty, promise

there will be no attempts to "get even" with Kenny Hibbit, the Wolverhampton player who pretended to be fouled.

"I Don't blame Kenny," said Glenn Hoddle of Tottenham. "In a similar situation our players might have done the same."

Referee Thomas, one of Britain's most controversial officials, is replaced for the replay by George Courtney — a decision taken before the first match.

Tottenham manager Keith Burkinshaw keeps faith with the same 11 players that started Saturday's match with Argentine international Ricardo Villa, still not fully fit, keeping his place ahead of Garry Brooke.

"I thought Ricky had a fine game, espe-

cially in the first half," said Burkinshaw. Osvaldo Ardiles, Tottenham's other Argentine star, underlined the confidence in the Spurs dressing room.

"Playing at Highbury is like a home game for us," said the little midfielder player. "We are all very confident."

Wolverhampton manager John Barnwell announced Tuesday that Scottish international striker Andy Gray had recovered from a hamstring injury and is a definite starter.

"Andy still has a bit of tightness around his hamstring, but he'll be all right," said Barnwell. Winger Mel Eves has recovered from a back injury and is likely to replace former England captain Emlyn Hughes in the Wolverhampton line-up.

India in Pool 'B' for World Cup

Pakistan struggles to beat Malaysia

SINGAPORE, April 15 (AFP) — World champions Pakistan scored a narrow 1-0 win over Malaysia in the opening match of the Asian Nations Men's (field) Hockey Tournament here Wednesday. Saeed Khan netted a winning goal after 16 minutes of the second half.

In the second match, New Zealand scored a narrow win, beating Singapore 1-0. The decisive goal came in the 29th minute of the second half through Mark Burtt.

Earlier Kiwi team manager David Coulter admitted that New Zealand will take part in the fifth World Cup Hockey Tournament in

Bombay later this year. "We are definitely going and there is no two ways about it. We want to make a comeback to top-level hockey and this is our big chance," he said.

Dismissing news reports from Bombay that New Zealand were doubtful starters in the World Cup in December this year, the manager said: "we won the right to be at the World Cup by virtue of our third placing at the Second Intercontinental Cup Tournament in Kuala Lumpur last week, and didn't come all this way to qualify and then back out."

Meanwhile, India, the 1980 Olympic hockey champions, have been placed in Pool 'B' for the World Cup championship an official said.

Others in the Pool are the Netherlands, Australia, England, Soviet Union and Malaysia. Rene Frank, president of the International Hockey Federation (IHF), told reporters in Bombay.

Frank said defending champions Pakistan share Pool 'A' with West Germany, Spain, Argentina, Poland and New Zealand. The Championship lasts from December 29 to January 12.



STYLISH INNINGS: David Gower, off drives confidently in his unbeaten knock of 70, to give England a flicker of hope.

Rain restricts play in Test

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 15 (R) — Peter Willey, David Gower and English-style drizzling rain combined to frustrate West Indies' sprint for victory on the fourth day of the fifth cricket Test Wednesday.

After West Indies fast bowlers had England — 157 behind on first innings — reeling at 32 for three, Willey and Gower stitched together in an unbroken fourth wicket partnership of 102.

Gower's stylish 70, his highest score of the series, and Willey's 44 left England at a more respectable 134 for three with only 23 more runs needed to clear the first innings deficit.

Rain cut 66 minutes of play just after the lunch break. The drizzle returned during the tea interval and washed out the rest of the day's play.

It was the rain which almost certainly robbed the West Indies of victory in Antigua and now their attempt to complete a three-nil series win has been severely dented.

White Sox registers easy win over Brewers

NEW YORK, April 15 (AP) — Carlton Fisk's grand slam home run featured a six-run fourth inning Tuesday and powered the Chicago White Sox to a 9-3 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers before a record home opening day crowd of 51,560 in Comiskey Park.

With two out in the fourth, Tony Bernazard singled and Bill Almon walked. Ron Leflore singled home one run and Mike Squires beat out an infield hit to fill the bases before Fisk slugged the third bases-loaded homer of his career.

The blow came off loser Pete Vuckovich, who was making his debut with the Brewers. Before the innings was over, the White Sox added another run off Reggie Cleveland on a single by Greg Luzinski, a walk and a single by Harold Baines for an 8-0 lead.

In other American League action, Toby Harrah's wind-blown pop fly triple in the first inning keyed a two-out, four-run rally and the Cleveland Indians spoiled the Texas Rangers' home opener Tuesday night with a 7-1 victory.

Rick Peters singled home Lou Whitaker from second base in the ninth inning to give the Detroit Tigers a 6-5 victory over Kansas City.

In the National League, Houston's Joe Niekro scattered seven hits and drove in two runs with a fifth-inning single as the Astros defeated Atlanta 8-2 for their first victory in five starts this season.

Three day games were rained out Tuesday — Baltimore at Boston in the AL and Chicago at Montreal and St. Louis at New York in the NL.

In late NL action on the West coast rookie Bruce Berenyi tossed a two-hitter and Dave Concepcion stroked a two-double in the first inning to lead the Cincinnati Reds to a 4-0 victory over the San Diego Padres.

Los Angeles rookie sensation Fernando Valenzuela finally gave up an earned run after 34 innings of Major League pitching, but hurled a four-hitter as the Dodgers downed the San Francisco Giants 7-1.

In the AL, Mike Norris hurled a four-hitter and Tony Armas delivered the key hit in a three-run sixth inning as the undefeated Oakland A's beat the California Angels 5-2 for their sixth consecutive triumph.

Ron Jackson homered twice and Roy Smalley hit another as the Minnesota Twins broke a string of 26 scoreless innings and defeated the Seattle Mariners 5-4.

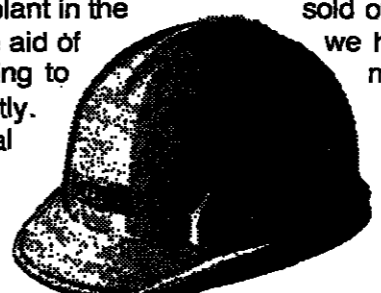
Baseball Standings

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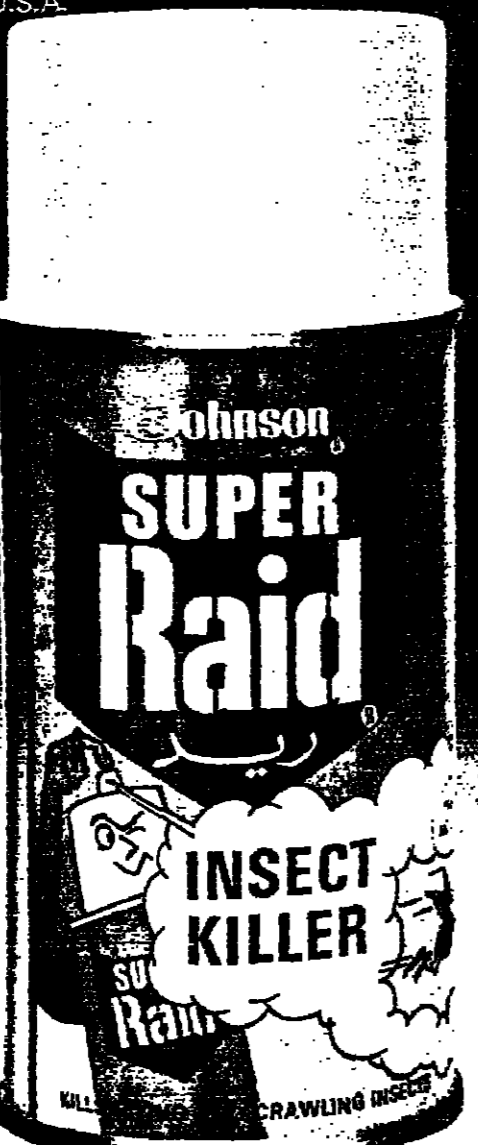
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♠ A 3  
♥ 8 8  
♦ A 7 4 3  
♣ K J 2

**WEST**  
♠ K Q 9 8 5 2  
♥ A J 10 4  
♦ 9 8  
♣ 5

**EAST**  
♠ J 10 7 4  
♥ Q 7 6 3 2  
♦ Q J 5  
♣ 7

**SOUTH**  
♠ 6  
♥ K 9  
♦ K 10 2  
♠ A Q 10 9 6 4 3

The bidding:  
West North East South  
1♣ Pass 2♣ 3♣  
3♦ 5♦

Opening lead - king of spades.

There are plays that appear to make no sense but are nevertheless demonstrably correct. Let's consider this deal and assume you're declarer at five clubs. West leads the king of spades and the question is how to play the hand.

Let's say you win the spade with the ace, play the king of trumps, and lead a low diamond from dummy. You plan to play the ten from your hand but, unfortunately, East produces the jack, which you win with the king.

The correct play from dummy on West's king of spades lead at trick one is the three of spades! True, this costs you a spade trick that you don't have to lose, but you get the trick back because you now don't have to lose a diamond trick that you'd otherwise lose.

Let's say West leads another spade at trick two. This causes you no pain because you win the spade with the ace, discarding a diamond from your hand. Then, after playing the ace of trumps, you lead the K-9 of hearts - and the surprising effect of your first play is that you not only make the contract but also an over-trick.

**Your Individual Horoscope**

Frances Drake

FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)  
Progress at work is intermittent. Don't step on anyone's toes. Happy news makes the post-dinner hours joyous. Enjoy close ties.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20)  
You may be somewhat restless. Why not plan an exciting time with an existing tie? Do something different together. Evening is lucky.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)  
The erratic behavior of others throws you off schedule. Friends and family don't mix favorably. Luck is with you in romance.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)  
Fun is spontaneous and unplanned. Communications with higher-ups are strained. Home life is favored over plans to dine out.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22)  
Advice from others about money is unsatisfactory. Keep budget in mind if traveling. Late evening brings a fortunate trend.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)  
Too much thinking about intimate matters doesn't bring needed solutions. Late afternoon brings a lucky financial development.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)  
Reflexive moods wholesome communication. Watch unexpected expenditures. Good news after dark brings a renewal of self-confidence.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)  
Make social plans, but don't let friends interfere with immediate duties. Romance makes you nervous later. Privacy restores faith.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)  
At the last minute, you'll come up with a favorable solution regarding a career matter. Meanwhile, don't mix business and pleasure.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)  
Duties at home may interfere with travel plans. Relations with in-laws are trying. A lucky career break will come your way.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)  
The picture changes too rapidly to make a business commitment now. Before midnight, good news and helpful advice signal an upswing.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)  
Financial concerns interfere with true harmony, yet the late evening brings a fortunate break. Good news pertains to career.

**Crossword**

by THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS**

- Thoroughfare
- Out of fashion
- Competent
- Foreshadowed
- A certain number
- Amoy
- Encourage
- Elec. unit
- Be well - of
- Muslim title
- Safety spot
- Indian title
- Specie
- Very (mus.)
- Exclude
- Untied
- Matter (law)
- Philippine peasant
- Frothy drink
- Five score
- Foam
- Nomadic
- Complete
- Ready for business
- Type
- picture
- Confined
- DOWN
- Inupruent
- Hanbury
- Before master

**4 Forest creature**  
**5 Slain**  
**6 Revise**  
**7 Asian holiday**  
**8 Viscera**  
**9 Convention member**  
**12 The "D" in FDR**  
**16 Card**  
**20 Native soil**  
**21 Liqueur**  
**22 Ex-GI**  
**23 Byre sound**  
**24 Coach's concern**  
**25 Go wool**26 Native soil**  
**27 Hardy's partner**  
**28 Decility**  
**29 Lasso**  
**34 In balance**  
**35 Mar on a car**  
**37 - jacket****

**DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE** - Here's how to work it:

AXYDLBAAXR  
LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

**CRYPTOQUOTES**

QZM MGEYC WFERURA ZFDEI  
ZGNM AFYS UR QZMUE WFDQZ  
SDQBZ IGCURA

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**ARAB NEWS CALENDAR**

TIME	PROGRAM	TIME	PROGRAM	TIME	PROGRAM
3:00	Children's Show	11:00	World News	11:00	World News
3:26	Mattress	11:30	World News	11:30	World News
4:54	On Show	12:00	World News	12:00	World News
5:17	Black Betty	12:30	World News	12:30	World News
5:41	Documentary	1:00	World News	1:00	World News
6:31	Dukes of Hazard	1:30	World News	1:30	World News
7:58	The Jeffersons	2:00	World News	2:00	World News
7:53	The Virginian	2:30	World News	2:30	World News
9:07	Baby Jones	3:00	World News	3:00	World News
9:33	Phantom Film Theater	3:30	World News	3:30	World News



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### At unprecedented conference

# Polish Communists demand more freedom

TORUN, Poland, April 15 (Agencies) — Some 500 Communist Party activists from all parts of Poland held an unprecedented rank and file conference Wednesday to call for further liberalization, greater press freedom and far-reaching democratic reforms within the party. Organizers of the event, held at Torun's Copernicus University, described it as an historic turning point and a major stage in the development of Poland's Communist system.

The conference was the first of its kind ever organized from below without the initiative of the Communist Party's central apparatus. It was held with the tacit approval of the authorities, despite their earlier misgivings. Delegates from 19 major cities told the conference there was a ground-swell movement for democracy within the party.

Delegates to the meeting were expected to adopt a resolution urging changes in party leadership, an earlier date for the party congress and an end to "blockades" of information about their reformist activities, one organizer said.

"We are trying to learn who we are, and that is why we meet," said Lech Witkowski, an organizer and member of the university party organization here. Witkowski said some officials had prevented the spread of information about such grass-roots movements within the party, and that he hoped Wednesday's meeting would resolve that problem.

The meeting was another sign of the growing

reform movement within Poland's 2.5 to 3 million member Communist Party which has been shaken by the social upheaval sweeping the country. Some Western observers have expressed fears the reform movement might prompt Soviet intervention if the Kremlin decides the unity and authority of the party are at stake.

As a sign of brewing, rank-and-file discontent, one delegate from the industrial city of Lodz openly called for the ouster from the party's all-powerful Politburo of former Foreign Minister Stefan Olszowski, a pro-Moscow hard-liner.

Speakers at the gathering called for democratic reforms in the party and for continuation of the "process of renewal," the term used by the party to describe the liberaliza-

tion of Polish society since the August strikes. Also attending the meeting were representatives of the independent trade union Solidarity, which won legal acceptance during the strikes.

"We're fighting for an idea, but the top people in the party are fighting to hold their position," said a delegate from Szczecin. "The only two words that still work in this country are 'strike and Solidarity'." Delegates included Zbigniew Iwanow, who was expelled from the party earlier this year because of his efforts for reform.

Witkowski said Iwanow was "an expression of fury of the working class," since his colleagues at the Towimorship outfitting factory here retained him as their party leader despite his expulsion.

Meanwhile, butter, flour, rice and cereal flares will be rationed in Poland beginning May 1, the Polish news agency PAP reported Tuesday. The decision by the council of ministers expands the list of foods already rationed, PAP said. Meat rationing began April 1 and the sugar ration — in effect for more than a year — was halved just before then.

Poles will be issued coupons to buy the newly rationed products. Earlier in the day, PAP reported that butter, flour, rice and noodles were already rationed in some provinces.

### Grains to Russia

## U.S. may lift embargo

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP) — U.S. Agriculture Secretary Rohn R. Block, citing recent developments in Poland, says President Ronald Reagan now may be more inclined to lift the embargo on grain sales to the Soviet Union. At the same time, however, Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger says the situation still "would have to improve substantially" before the administration would consider renewed arms control talks with the Soviets.

Reagan has kept the grain embargo, despite his pledge in last fall's campaign to end it, because of the threat of Soviet military intervention in Poland. But Block told a group of farm broadcasters in a telephone interview Tuesday that chances of lifting the

embargo "are much better than they were a week or so ago at the height of the crisis in Poland."

Block, who contends that the embargo has "tarnished" U.S. dependability as a supplier of grain, later told reporters that he based his comments on recent developments but declined to be specific. U.S. intelligence sources reported this week that there has been a general reduction in the readiness of Soviet troops in and around Poland in the past two weeks.

Despite the reduction, however, Weinberger said Tuesday that Soviet and Warsaw Pact troops still could move against Poland at any time.

## Spain studies ETA killings

MADRID, April 15 (AFP) — The Spanish cabinet discussed Wednesday possible new anti-terrorist measures after three killings Tuesday and amid fears that a \$6 million ransom paid to Basque separatist kidnappers would finance a new wave of violence. A well-informed source said the meeting did not result in any immediate new measures.

Prime Minister Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo met for more than three hours with the ministers of defense, interior, justice, the presidency and foreign affairs. Sotelo met with the armed forces chief of staff immediately after the cabinet meeting.

Tuesday two retired civil guards and a French businessman were shot and killed in separate incidents in the Basque region. There were also five bombings during the day in the Basque and neighboring Navarre regions, in one of which a civil guard barracks being built in Estella (Navarre) was heavily damaged.

The killings coincided with the 50th anniversary of the proclamation of Spain's second republic, and observers said they appeared to be a show of strength by the military wing of the Basque ETA separatist organization. The ETA military group also is believed responsible for five other murders in the past week.

The recent killings — in clear defiance of the presence of 2,000 soldiers sent to "clean up" the Basque area last month — have been denounced by most Basque political groups, and Tuesday a major Spanish union confederation called for a brief strike to "totally paralyze" the country to protest the killings.

### Because of phone rates

## Man wanted to kill Reagan

PHILADELPHIA, April 15 (AP) — A man accused of threatening to kill U.S. President Ronald Reagan because a telephone company raised its weekend rates was ordered held in lieu of \$150,000 bail Tuesday and ordered to undergo psychiatric examination. The bond was set and the examination by U.S. magistrate Edwin Naythons for James T. McCaughy, 42.

Secret service agent James Allen testified he was notified by a telephone company employee that a man, using a phone listed to McCaughy's name, had made two calls on April 11 claiming he was going to kill Reagan.

"I called the number and a man who identified himself as McCaughy told me he had threatened the president," Allen said. "I said, 'what?' and he said again, 'I'm going to kill the president.' I asked him why and he said 'because I am mad.'" When Allen questioned him further, the man "said something about the telephone company raising his weekend rates, and that he didn't like that."

Meanwhile, President Reagan spoke briefly by telephone Tuesday with presidential press secretary Jim Brady, their first

contact since an assassination attempt last month in which both men were shot. Reagan, recuperating in the White House living quarters, called Brady at his hospital room, opening a two-minute conversation by saying, "Are you ready for a press conference?"

"Yes, sir," was the reply from Brady, who faces a long recovery after being shot in the brain. A White House statement said the conversation continued this way: Reagan: "We both have a lot to thank God for." Brady: "We feel the same way." Doctors say Brady is making an excellent recovery from his wound, but faces a convalescence that could last months or as much as a year.

Reagan will begin to receive visitors toward the end of the week as he maintains his recovery, the White House said Tuesday. Reagan, who was discharged from hospital Saturday after surgery to remove a bullet in his left lung, "is doing fine," White House physician Daniel Ruge reported.

Since his return to the White House, the president has limited meetings to senior members of his staff and cabinet officers in his private quarters.

## Suzuki to discuss sub with Reagan

TOKYO, April 15 (AFP) — Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki, who will have talks with U.S. President Ronald Reagan in Washington next month, said Wednesday he would discuss the sinking of a Japanese freighter after a collision with an American nuclear submarine. Suzuki said the accident last Thursday that left two Japanese crew members missing was "very regrettable and a big shock to me." He is scheduled to meet with Reagan on May 7 and 8.

Meanwhile, the owner and crew of the Japanese freighter that sunk in the East China Sea opened negotiations with U.S. authorities Wednesday seeking about \$2.75 million in damages. Two attorneys representing the owner and crew of the *Nischo Maru* visited the U.S. Embassy here and met first

secretary Edward Featherstone.

They claimed that the U.S. submarine *George Washington* was responsible for the collision that sunk the freighter, and that the United States should pay damages estimated at \$2.75 million to the owner and crew. Thirteen crewmen of the 2,350-ton freighter were rescued last Friday by a Japanese destroyer while adrift in life boats, but the ship's captain and chief officer are missing and presumed dead.

The submarine's actions in failing to pick up the *Nischo Maru* crew and waiting more than 30 hours to notify Japanese officials of the accident have drawn bitter public reaction in Japan. The U.S. Navy has opened an enquiry into the incident.

## Australian industry minister quits

CANBERRA, April 15 (Agencies) — Industrial Relations Minister Andrew Peacock resigned Wednesday, claiming Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser had committed "acts of gross disloyalty to me and my office" — the same thing Fraser said when he resigned as Defense Minister in 1971.

Peacock's resignation may present Fraser with his most serious political crisis since he became prime minister in November 1975. Peacock, 42-year-old former foreign minister, has been seen as a likely successor to Fraser as leader of the Liberal Party, and is now considered likely to challenge for the leadership.

He accused Fraser of leaking damaging reports about him to newspapers. "I find this constant disloyalty intolerable and not to be endured," he said in his letter of resignation. "I believe you have cast aside the stability and sense of direction of the government, indeed you have a dangerous reluctance to consult cabinet and an obstinate determination to get your own way."

Peacock's letter was a word-for-word copy of Fraser's resignation as defense minister in 1971, which led to the fall of John Gorton as prime minister. Fraser accepted the resignation in a terse one-line letter of reply. The Liberals govern in coalition with the National Country Party.

Differences between Peacock and Fraser, flared over the recognition of the Pol Pot regime before the last general elections, when Peacock was persuaded to cancel his resignation plan.

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## Chatti backs Baghdad, Iran alleges

TEHRAN, April 15 (R) — Iran has accused Habib Chatti, spokesman for an Islamic peace mission seeking to end the Gulf war, of supporting Iraq in a bid to force Tehran to the negotiating table. A Foreign Ministry statement broadcast on state radio said Chatti, who is secretary-general of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) had dropped his "hypocrite's mask" in a recent interview.

It said the Tunisian diplomat had said an Iranian air raid against Iraqi bases on April 4 showed Tehran was seeking to prolong the war. "The Islamic republic of Iran declares that Chatti's words show he is supporting the aggressor Saddam (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein)," the ministry said.

It said Chatti, who last visited Tehran one day before the raid as part of an OIC peace initiative, had not spoken out against Iraqi missile attacks on Iranian cities. "Chatti, perhaps you believe that in order to bring Iran to the negotiating table the people should be put under pressure and missile raids should become more frequent, and that is why you are in agreement with the enemy," the ministry said.

## Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen

I took a taxi in Washington on my last trip. Noticed the driver's accent and asked where he hailed from. "Iranian," he said. "I belong to that most discriminated against minority — the Iranian students." I asked what he was doing driving a taxi in Washington. He said he was stuck after the recent upheavals in his country. No more money from home. He can't abandon his studies now when he's more than halfway through. So he has to work and study.

"But that itself is nothing," he said. "What's getting me doing is that no one asks me personal views once they know I belong to that hated tribe of 'Iranian students.' They all assume they know where I stand and treat me accordingly. The police aren't exactly sweet. The passengers give me hell. The university can't stand the sight of me. Even the Iranian Embassy hates me!"

He said people's feeling against all Iranians are such that they couldn't believe the British forces actually rescued Iranian hostages from an Iranian embassy when that thing in London happened. The majority thought the British actually attacked and killed the Iranians. And a very good thing too, they thought.

I said I can feel for him but can't do much to help. Except to write about him, as I am doing now. A young man in a world getting madder by the minute. Wanting nothing but to finish his education and go home — if he can. For there too they don't appear too crazy about him. He had already said that he darren't go to his embassy for help.

Translated from Ashraf Al Awstat

### Meets Zia

## U.N. envoy arrives in Kabul

By Shahid Urakzai  
Arab News Correspondent

RAWALPINDI, April 15 — Perez De Cueller, U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim's special representative, flew to Kabul from here Wednesday for talks with Afghan Foreign Minister Shah Muhammad Dost on the possibility of negotiations under U.N. auspices which might lead to the withdrawal of Soviet troops from the strife-torn central Asian state. He arrived in Kabul Wednesday evening.

Cueller had discussions with President Zia ul-Haq and Foreign Minister Agha Shahi Tuesday night. He told newsmen he was visiting Tehran to explore the question of Iranian participation in a three-way dialogue with the Soviet puppet administration in Kabul.

An official statement said Zia had discussed "various aspects" of Cueller's mission, "purely exploratory". He has said earlier that he was not carrying any formula for resolving the crisis but would search for a common basis acceptable to the three sides to join the dialogue table.

Cueller, who is to submit his report Tuesday to the U.N. secretary-general, said here before his departure that his talks with Afghans would determine whether they insisted on the recognition of their regime as a precondition for a political dialogue which along with the doubtful Iranian participation pose the two major hurdles to the first ever international peace effort.

He left aboard a small executive jet of the Pakistan Air Force after a plane belonging to the U.N. military observer group here developed technical problems. The group monitors the situation in Kashmir, a disputed area claimed by both India and Pakistan.

Pakistan, in January, requested Waldheim to dispatch a mission to explore the chances of trilateral talks between representatives of the Iranian and Pakistani governments and,

## Foot-and-mouth disease poses threat to Europe

ROME, April 15 (AP) — Foot-and-mouth disease continues to pose "a serious threat" to Europe's livestock industry despite steady improvement in controlling the illness, a United Nations-sponsored commission said Wednesday.

Recent outbreaks of the livestock illness on the island of Jersey and the Isle of Wight were the first in 13 years in Great Britain, the European commission for the control of foot-and-mouth disease said after a meeting. The disease was immediately brought under control on both islands by destroying the affected animals that had been in contact with them.

The disease has also broken out this year in Austria, France, Italy and Spain, the group said. It said the main source of contamination in Europe has become vaccine failures or the escape of the virus from laboratories. Previously the principal cause of the disease was introduction of the virus from overseas. The commission, including representatives of 22 countries, was organized by the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization.

## U.K. move to stop criminals in poll

LONDON, April 15 (AP) — The British government is considering new legislation to prevent convicted persons running for Parliament in the light of jailed guerrilla Bobby Sands' election in Northern Ireland, official sources have reported.

The move came after Sinn Fein, political front for the outlawed Irish Republican Army, said Tuesday it plans to run other convicted guerrillas in local government elections next month. Meanwhile, the Northern Ireland office said Tuesday that Sands, on the 44th day of a hunger strike demanding Britain treat jailed guerrillas political prisoners, was "showing signs of some deterioration."

Sinn Fein said Sands, who has reportedly lost 50 pounds, was suffering severe headaches and was likely to be dead within two weeks. At a House of Commons news Conference, Sands' agent, Owen Carron, said Sands would die unless Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government shifted from its refusal to grant what amounts to political prisoner status.

"It is unthinkable to imagine any government would allow an elected representative to die on hunger strike," said Carron. Official

sources said that the Conservative government, angered by Sands' win in Northern Ireland's Fermanagh and South Tyrone district Friday, believed the law must be changed to avoid more political triumphs for guerrillas.

Francis Pym, the Conservatives' floor manager in the House of Commons, reported to the cabinet Tuesday parliamentary leaders' view that there must be no attempt to expel 27-year-old Sands from the house. Parliamentary leaders were apparently prompted by fears that expulsion would make Sands a martyr as well as undermine democracy by throwing out a legally elected member.

Most legislators believe the best solution to the bizarre parliamentary problem is simply to leave Sands to die. He was jailed for 14 years in 1976 after a gun battle with police. The overwhelmingly Roman Catholic IRA is fighting to end British rule in Northern Ireland and reunite the Protestant-dominated province with the Irish Republic, which is 97 per cent Catholic.

Parliamentary legal experts said that the house can disqualify Sands on the grounds he cannot properly represent his constituents.

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